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THE TIMES

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Darker economic outlook brings fear of 900,000 unemployed

With mounting inflation, Britain's economic outlook has worsened, the National Institute of Economic and Social Research says today in its quarterly review. The institute expects unemployment to reach 675,000 by the new year and over 900,000 by the end of 1975.

Freeze expected if impact fails

Mr Healey's reflection of the government's economic policy is that it is "not a very serious problem" and that "in the past, periods of voluntary incomes policy have more than once been abruptly ended by a freeze, but without sufficient preparation for the immediate amelioration of the anomalies it generated."

The institute's forecasts show the balance of payments improving more slowly than in the May review, with the current account in deficit to the extent of £4,000m (£3,400m this year and £2,750m (£1,600m in 1975).

The institute predicts that consumer prices will rise 16.7 per cent during this year and 17.6 per cent during 1975, against forecasts in May of 17 per cent and 13.7 per cent for this year and next.

Direct controls and devaluation are rejected on the grounds respectively of risking retaliation and of exacerbating inflation. The NIESR favours measures to reduce the demand for oil, as well as all means of checking domestic cost pressures.

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Discreet delivery of Nixon subpoenas

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Aug 29
Two subpoenas were served on former President Nixon yesterday at his home in San Clemente, California, the Justice Department announced today.

The first of the subpoenas Mr Nixon to appear as a witness at the Watergate cover-up trial, which is to open in Washington on September 30.

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Official suspended

An official in the borough engineer's department of Torbay District Council, Devon, has been suspended after investigations by the Devon and Cornwall police fraud squad.

Dr Waldheim's two-page report was published for consideration by the Council at its meeting this afternoon as he lay in a New York hospital under treatment for acute gastritis.

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Police trying to disperse the people who were attending the free pop festival in Windsor Great Park yesterday.

220 held and 36 hurt in pop festival clashes

By Michael Horsnell
Windsor town centre was blocked yesterday as hundreds of young people skirmished with police who, earlier, had broken up a pop music festival in Windsor Great Park.

Police said last night that 220 people had been arrested during the day, most of them in the park during the eviction operation. Thirty-six people were injured, 21 of them police officers.

Most of those arrested are accused of drug offences or of obstruction. The town's magistrates' court held an extended session during the afternoon to start handling the cases.

Last night the police said in a statement, in which they denied using too much force making the young people leave the park, that extra police would stay in the area for some hours,

but that most of the festival visitors had left. Many of those arrested were detained by police at Combermere barracks, Windsor.

The day's events began at 8 am when more than 600 policemen went to the park, where there were about two thousand young people. The officers were under the command of Mr David Holdsworth, chief constable of the Thames Valley police area.

The police arrived in two convoys from Combermere and roads leading to the park were blocked. The demonstrators were forced away from the stage and running battles began. About four hundred people marched through the town centre in protest against the police action.

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Agreement by leaders of two 'patriotic groups'

By Christopher Walker
Leaders of two of the largest of the self-styled patriotic organizations which have sprung up in Britain met on Wednesday night in London and agreed to set up a system of regular contact.

The meeting was between Colonel David Strling, founder of GB 75 and Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Butler, chief executive of General Sir Walter Walker's civil assistance organization.

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UN chief says all sides want a negotiated Cyprus settlement

New York, Aug 29.—Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, said today there was a strong desire on all sides to achieve a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus problem, "despite current obstacles."

But in reporting to the Security Council on talks he had this week in Nicosia, Athens, Ankara and London, he said it was premature for him to give details of the wide range of questions discussed.

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British tanks confront Turkish infantry

Nicosia, Aug 29.—A Turkish Army raid in a village bordering the British sovereign base area at Dhekelia today led to a direct confrontation between British tanks and Turkish infantrymen, British soldiers in the area said.

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Professor Bevis collapses

Professor Douglas Bevis, who announced at a British Medical Association meeting last month that two test tube babies were being born, is under observation in an intensive care unit at Sheffield Royal Infirmary after collapsing.

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Mail goes metric

The weights which govern the Post Office's price scales for mail will be expressed in grams and kilograms, instead of ounces and pounds, and size limits will be in millimetres and metres, instead of inches and feet, from September, 1975.

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Spaghetti war is rocking Italy

From Patricia Clough Rome, Aug 29
Big increases in the price of pasta have shocked Italians and started a spaghetti war which promises to be long and bitter.

Stocks of spaghetti, macaroni and other varieties of Italy's staple food have vanished from shops in many parts of the country after announcements of price rises of up to 50 per cent in leading pasta-making areas.

Workers in the food industry have said there will be more increases before long. Manufacturers, meanwhile, have threatened to stop production if the increases are not allowed.

These form the first wave of increases since the end of the Government's price freeze on July 25. Economists predict an even bigger wave towards the middle of September.

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Mr Powell closer than ever to admitting he wants to be an Ulster Unionist candidate

From Robert Fisk Dublin

Mr Enoch Powell came nearer yesterday than he has ever done before to admitting that he wants to stand as a Unionist candidate in Northern Ireland in the next Westminster elections.

Arriving at Aldergrove airport for a speaking engagement in Armagh, he said that if an appeal were made to him to stand as a candidate in Ulster "it is not difficult to know what my answer would be". He went on to emphasize the close association he has always had with the official Unionist party.

It now seems that there is more than an even chance that Unionists in the Down, South and constituency will ask Mr Powell privately to submit his name as a candidate and that Mr Powell, once he is satisfied that other people are asking him to stand, will accept. Ever since he began his serious flirtation with loyalist politics more than a year ago he has made it a condition that he would never actively seek a constituency in Northern Ireland, preferring to wait a call from the Unionists by fingering the Orange card.

There was, however, still no suggestion from Unionist officials that an approach was to be made to Mr Powell. No one has been able to trace Captain L. P. Orr, the sitting MP for Down, South, to find out if he wants to stand again.

In his speech to the co Armagh Unionist Association at a local Orange ball last night the former Conservative MP for Wolverhampton, South West, gave not the slightest hint of his political ambitions. He spent his time condemning the former Conservative Government for its misdeeds in Ulster, praising the loyalist majority for standing up against Britain - this always goes down well at Unionist meetings - and condemning the immorality of inflation.

There has also been no indication from Mr Paisley, Mr Craig and Mr West, the three loyalist leaders at Westminster, of their own feelings about Mr Powell. With an English politician of his calibre in the House of Commons fighting for

Ulster's loyalist cause, their own position would look somewhat anomalous, not least because he does not favour the return of a Stormont parliament in Northern Ireland, something which has always been dear to Protestant hearts.

It may well be Mr Powell's intention to change Unionist policy on this very point, an ambition that could fundamentally alter the nature of Protestant politics in Ulster.

It was the British Government, of course, that took the brunt of Mr Powell's criticism last night. For six years, he said, the United Kingdom Government had blindly and stubbornly followed courses of policy which totally mistook the realities of the province and which prolonged and intensified the dangers and sufferings of its people. It had been grievously under-represented in Parliament. He declared: "It might have been thought - some people did think - that there was nothing that a few hundred thousand electors and a handful of members could do. The event proved otherwise."

The electorate, Mr Powell said, had "patiently, repeatedly, persistently reiterated their determination to have no less a right than their fellow citizens in Great Britain to be part of their own country."

"When the unique form of local autonomy which was originally imposed upon a reluctant Ulster fifty years ago and which had been loyally and successfully operated, was suddenly and brutally destroyed by the Conservative Government, this electorate put forward the simple and indefensible aim to be as fully represented in Parliament as their fellow citizens."

Huge majorities in the House of Commons supported one unworkable and hare-brained policy after another. Coercion, threats, deceit, breach of promise, all the rack and thumbscrews of politics were brought into play to crush or brainwash the Ulster electorate. . . . Sunningdale, power-sharing, councils of Ireland, fancy franchises - one after another they proved as futile as those who knew had said they would."

Then, surprisingly, Mr Powell left more parabolic subjects for the larger issues of inflation and the European Economic Community, pointing out at the same time, however, that Ulstermen were deeply concerned with such matters.

The British Government's commitment of economic and monetary union by 1980, he said, was carried through with a House of Commons almost equally divided and without baving at any time been proposed to the British electorate. But in the summer of 1974 there was a more imminent and menacing issue. "In economic terms, it is the fear that inflation, already unprecedented, is accelerating out of control. In moral terms, it is the loss of confidence in our ability to take a grip upon ourselves as a nation."

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The movement has not yet decided which seats it intends to contest but it will fight its campaign on a platform opposed to internment without trial in Northern Ireland and to the "continued harassment of the Irish community in Britain."

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Policemen resting yesterday after evicting about two thousand young people from Windsor Great Park, where they had been attending a pop music festival. Piles of rubbish were witness to the festival supporters' hasty departure.

Police deny brutality at festival

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said: "It has been an amazing day. I don't know why the police got so violent. People were being thrown into police vans for no reason. They were just picking people at random."

Mr Holdsworth said that complaints about police behaviour would be investigated, but that he believed the police had behaved with restraint and patience.

In a statement he said: The unlawful occupation of parts of Windsor Great Park by free pop festival fans came to an end this afternoon. The police operation started at 8 am when those occupying the site were informed that the Crown Estate Commissioners required the sites and pop festival fans were asked to leave.

Those injured, the statement said, were hurt principally as a result of some unpleasant incidents at 11.30 am which centred around two large assemblies of fans who were being provoked and encouraged by some of their own people to continue to defy the law. It added: Some rather general complaints and criticisms have been made of the behaviour of Thames Valley police. All complaints will be properly and carefully investigated.

In my view the Thames Valley police showed great restraint and patience during the course of a very difficult operation. Windsor Great Park is now available for lawful enjoyment and recreation. The police decided that any charge was made into the festival area. The police operation had been carried out in an orderly fashion.

Soon after the police moved into the festival site in the morning hippie leaders produced a circular addressed to them. It read: Police warning! Under the by-laws you can ask campers to remove a tent and stop making loud music, but anybody has the right to be in the park in peaceable manner and you render yourself liable as police to prosecution if you break the by-laws and remove people by force. With love from the people at Windsor Free Festival.

QC wins appeal over his keeping a pistol

By Christopher Warman

Local Government Correspondent

Mr Ashe Lincoln, QC, claimed at Inner London Crown Court yesterday that the police acted vindictively towards him after he was fined £20 in April for two firearms offences.

Mr Lincoln of St John's Wood, London, appealed successfully against a condition the police imposed on his firearms certificate that a 32 pistol he takes abroad with him should be left in the keeping of a firearms dealer while the certificate is in Britain. The condition will be deleted from the certificate.

Mr Lincoln, a prominent member of the Jewish community, said at Bow Street Magistrates' Court on April 30 that he had received a threat to his life, and thought that he had had reasonable excuse for possessing a firearm in the Strand.

At the end of the case Sir Frank Milton, the magistrate, rejected a request by the police that the gun should be confiscated.

Labour plans 'universal mortgage subsidy'

By Christopher Warman

Local Government Correspondent

The Labour Party's answer to the Conservatives' plan to hold mortgage rates down to 31 per cent envisages a national finance agency to supervise mortgage funds and a "universal mortgage subsidy scheme" which will cut tax relief for the rich.

In line with the warning of a time of austerity by Mr Cresswell, Secretary of State for the Environment, in his comments on the Conservative Party's proposals on Wednesday, the Labour manifesto is not likely to offer such attractive terms.

Although the manifesto is not completed yet, the party's national executive housing sub-committee has approved these policies, which have been developed over some time.

The "universal mortgage subsidy scheme" would allow all borrowers the same amount of tax relief, at the level claimed by those paying the standard rate of income tax. Most borrowers fall into that category, but for those paying higher rates of tax the plan would give them less relief.

Maria Colwell transcript is withheld

By David Leigh

The Department of Health and Social Security has decided to withhold the transcript of the public inquiry on the case of Maria Colwell, the Brighton child battered to death by her stepfather, Mr Andrew Bowden, Conservative MP for Brighton, Kemptown, has been told by Dr David Owen, Minister of State, Department of Health, that the Brighton Library cannot have a transcript.

Public feeling was running high, government lawyers said, and there might be legal difficulties.

Publication of the report on Maria Colwell has been delayed by a strike of the government printers.

It appears that the Treasury solicitors have advised that the things said during the inquiry at Brighton might be inflammatory or legally dangerous. Reports of the hearing were covered by the legal defence of qualified privilege, but the same would not apply to the transcript.

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Ferry relieved
British Rail is deferring the proposed shutdown of its passenger car ferry service between Heysham and Belfast from October 27 to February 1, 1975, or later at the request of the Central Transport Consultative Committee.

Supporter jailed
David Gordon, aged 21, a football supporter, of Northpark Street, Glasgow, was jailed for three months at Glasgow yesterday after disturbances in Glasgow before and after Wednesday night's Scottish League Cup matches.

Soho murder charge
Paula Colette Irwin Joyce, aged 29, single, a secretary, of Dean Street, Soho, London, was remanded at Marlborough Street Magistrates' Court yesterday in custody for eight days charged with murdering Mrs Irene Cocking, aged 76.

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Food poisoning was risk at hotel, court is told

Conditions in the food preparation rooms and kitchens of the Selby Fork motor hotel on the A1 in North Yorkshire were described at Selby Magistrates' Court yesterday when the owners, Ancor Hotels and Taverns Ltd, a subsidiary of Courage Breweries, were fined £900 plus £80 costs after admitting nine offences under the food hygiene regulations.

Mr John Sleightholme, for the prosecution, said two health officials examined freezers, food preparation rooms and kitchens and found layers of thick grease and dirt, particles of old food, cobwebs, heavy mould growth on a wall, snail shells, a hole in a window where vermin, birds and insects could have got in and "organisms which could carry food poisoning". He continued: "There was a risk of bacterial contamination and a grave risk of food poisoning. What makes it worse is that this establishment is on a major trunk road and caters for a passing trade. Someone could eat there and go 100 miles down the A1. Should there have been an outbreak of food poisoning you would have got persons going to various areas of the country all of whom would have had to be traced."

Mr Sleightholme said that staff at the hotel did not take the situation seriously. He added: "The attitude of the management left a lot to be desired." Mr Brian Murphy, for the defence, said the company viewed the matter with the utmost gravity. At the time of the offences, in June, the hotel was short staffed and trying to cope with a large number of customers. The food checking and cleaning arrangements had been improved and the owners had brought in a cleaning contractor who would visit the hotel and carry out any necessary work.

Prospective candidates

Mr Dennis Cassidy has been adopted as prospective Liberal parliamentary candidate for Daventry at present held for the Conservatives by Mr Arthur Jones with a majority of 7,743. Other candidates adopted: Mr David Chambers (Liberal) for Mansfield, at present held for Labour by Mr Don Concannon, with a majority of 16,142; Mrs Mary Doig (Labour) for Western Isles, at present held for the Scottish National Party by Mr Donald Stewart with a majority of 7,200; Mr David Mahon (Liberal) for Liverpool Toxteth, at present held for Labour by Mr Richard Crawshaw with a majority of 5,557.

Weather forecast and recordings

Table with weather forecasts for various regions including London, Wales, NW England, NE England, Borders, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, and Glasgow. Includes columns for sun, rain, and temperature.

Architect home competition in chaos

By John Young

More than two years the results were announced, a competition to design identical homes for retired disabled architects, who will begin on the project in Wallingford, Berkshire architect who won the commission has been removed from the job, and the Architects' Society, sponsored the competition linked to the Royal Institute of British Architects is to say how much the will now cost.

The strange story is in detail in today's Building Design, which could prove to be one of the most embarrassing in the RIBA has been in "There is a case, on the face of it, to emerge so fast that it is almost an inquiry into what went wrong".

The £1,000 prize awarded in June, 1972, Nicholas Lacey, then aged 48, had qualified only earlier and had recently his own practice. His 48 apartments, a chapel, six cursing, wards 34-acre site was described the assessors as outstanding.

At that time the surveyors for the Davis, Belfield and stated that the cost £27,000 at May 1972 could be achieved. In November 1972 Mr Lacey gave new instructions. The following month the city surveyors reported the modifications could be completed at the estimated further changes follow by February 1973 the cost had risen to £468,640.

On March 15 1973 Mr Lacey was instructed by the contractor to put the contract tender within a cost of £450,000. The contractor's new tender still more cost were demanded and the tender eventually received October was £577,280.28. Lacey thought the cost be reduced to £645,000 but ABS said it was impossible to carry out the contract. On November 9 he was asked stop work on the project given further instructions.

On November 28 he was vited to redesign the hui to a cost limit of £450,000. He replied that this was not possible and on March 1974 he received a letter from Mr Lacey, now pres of the RIBA, terminating engagement. An announce by the ABS stated that developed version of the scheme was beyond society's resources.

The announcement that a different firm, Architects Co-Partnership, had appointed to the scheme, that Mr Lacey would be ing with them. But the later withdrew and was laced by a third firm, Architects Design Partners, whose plans are still awaiting a letter published in Architects Journal earlier month, from five architects who worked with Mr Lacey. He claimed that the project abandoned because the mitee had sought two redesign exercises as well drawings were about to be g.

According to the Design the committee at that to allow modifications would be unfair to the competition entrants. "I strange, if one accents this ment, that when Mr Lacey finally takes off the job was not given to one of runners-up in the competition". The magazine observ article it declares that it badly on the profession the system when a competitor for architects run by architects in this way.

Crash kills three
Bridie Dooley, aged 24, Birr, Republic of Ireland, killed instantly and E. McAleese, aged 18, Quebec, Canada, and Munroe, aged 22, of Glasgow, died in his car when he was travelling collided with a lorry parked in Edinburgh Road, Glasgow, early yesterday.

At the resorts
24 hours to 6 pm, August 29

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HOME NEWS

At least 200 schools to be repaired as 'roof danger' list lengthens

Tim Devlin Education Correspondent... fail without warning. They have found that far more schools are at risk than the 180 on the Government's original secret list.

Teachers in Scotland rebel against condition

From Ronald Faux Edinburgh... Lanarkshire schools have reached crisis point because of oversized classes and unsuitable accommodation.



Mr Wilfred Beeching, a collector and seller of typewriters, in his typewriter museum which opens in Bournemouth today.

Watch to be kept on London supporters

By Clive Borrell... Football supporters who, according to one of their favourite songs "Never walk alone", are to be given the company of the Metropolitan Police for all matches in London.

PC sent to Broadmoor for theft and arson

From Our Correspondent Brighton... Constable Allan Steves, aged 21, of Spencers Road, Horsham, Sussex, was ordered at Brighton Crown Court yesterday to be sent to Broadmoor after admitting theft and arson.

Fixed minimum wage urged by Mr Thorpe

By Martin Huckerby South... Conservative proposal for a "broadly-based local tax" as woolly and vague. He told the hundreds of vacationers on the beach at East Looe, Cornwall, that they should enjoy their holidays, "because we are heading for a very tough winter."

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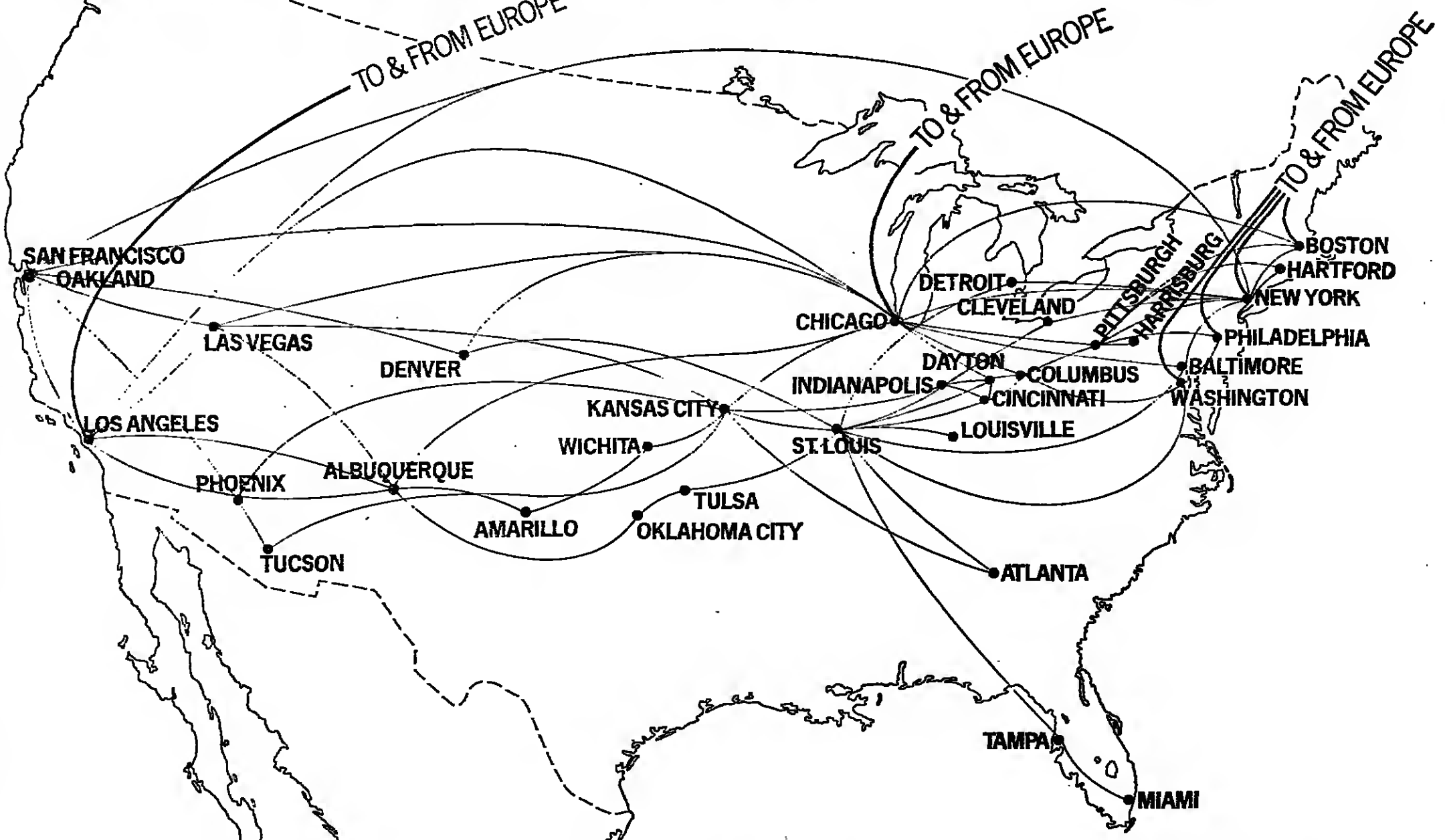
Railwaymen hurt

Three railwaymen were taken to hospital after a freight train hit empty passenger coaches in a goods yard at New Cross Gate, London, early yesterday. They were said to be not badly hurt.

Mr Rippon takes Liberals to task over coalition dilemma

Michael Hatfield... Liberal Party was criticised by the Conservatives last night after it was announced there would be a special meeting of the 250-strong Party Council the Sunday after the expected general election.

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Government denies policy damaging industry

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HOME NEWS

Army to retain 7,000 acres of Dorset coast but other areas will be released

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent
The Army will not after all have to surrender the 7,000 acres of coveted coastline around Lulworth, Dorset, despite a recommendation by the Defence Lands Committee last year. A reprieve for the Royal Armoured Corps gunnery school there is contained in a White Paper published last night.

Cromarty, depends on whether a seaport is to be built at Maplin. If it is, the Government promises to take particular account of the pressures felt in Tain because of North Sea oil industrial development. Most of the recommendations affecting Dartmoor—another emotive area where the Services own 30,000 acres—are accepted.



Part of the Army's gunnery range at Lulworth, which the Royal Armoured Corps is to retain.

Conservationists have argued that provided public access is allowed where possible, the Services tend to safeguard, rather than damage, the landscape. The White Paper acknowledges a fundamental clash of interests. It refers to the shrinking countryside and the towns creeping outwards as well as the need to provide more areas in which people can enjoy increased leisure time.

Union drive for Labour in marginal contests

By Raymond Perman
Labour Staff
An intensive campaign to win key marginal seats for Labour in the general election has been launched by the National Union of Public Employees, one of Britain's largest unions.

Thin results of Law of the Sea conference reflect deep divide between Third World and the rest

Geneva test after Caracas muscle flexion

From Marcel Beilins
Caracas, Aug 29
If you put 150 hens into one coop, you must not be surprised if they all cluck at the same time.

stand and take into account the needs of the developing nations. "The existing law of the sea was laid down by the developed nations. We did not participate in its formulation, and we do not necessarily accept it."

territorial sea, what a coastal state has ships passing through its waters? Countries with large shipping interests demand total freedom of navigation for all ships.

Aid lobby to press EEC on poverty funds

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent
British poverty organizations decided yesterday to set up an advisory committee to influence the allocation and spending of money under the proposed European poverty programme.

Court Line holiday rescue operation draws to an end

By Maurice Corina
Industrial Editor
The rescue of Court Line holidaymakers is drawing to a close. In all, about 35,000 tourists booked with Clarksons, Horizoo and AS Travel have been brought home after finishing their holidays abroad without any additional charge.

Immigrants can join wives living in Britain

Changes in immigration rules published yesterday will mean that the husbands and fiancés of women settled in the United Kingdom will be able to join their wives and fiancés in this country.

Britain optimistic about agreement

By David Spanier
It is certainly not the view of the British Government that the Law of the Sea conference was a failure, Mr Ennals, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, said yesterday.

Subsidy expected to bring down cost of tea by 1p a quarter next week

By Hugh Clayton
Tea should become cheaper next week as the £15m subsidy starts to have effect. But the results may differ from those confidently predicted when the payment was announced in July.

Food prices

Hugh Clayton
would also apply to Lyons Red Label and Orange Label. Other Lyons brands such as Quick Brew and Hornmans are likely to be cut by only 1p a quarter.

Three accused wounding a King's grandso

From Our Correspondent
Newcastle upon Tyne
Three Gateshead men accused of attacking and wounding Haakon Lorentzen, aged 20, grandson of King Olav V of Norway, were remanded in custody for a week by Newcastle City magistrates yesterday.

Marked progress in helping handicapped people

By John Roper
At the end of 1970 there were 435,000 people in England and Wales registered as handicapped by physical, visual or hearing impairment but on the fourth anniversary yesterday of the Act recognizing their needs the number had risen to 720,000.

European universities

An inset to mark the assembly in Bologna of the Conference of European Rectors is published today in The Times Higher Education Supplement. It includes articles by Dr Albert Sloman, Dr A. H. Halsey, and Mr Jack Embling.

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WEST EUROPE

Dutch minister says of Dr Luns 'I will kick him'

From Sue Masterman
The Hague, Aug 29

Mr Henk Vredeling, the Dutch Minister of Defence, has accused an attack on Dr Joseph Luns, the Nato Secretary General and former Dutch Foreign Minister, as well as on many members of his own cabinet.

Mr Vredeling's new 10-year defence plan had been approved by the Nato Secretary General.

In an interview published in the weekly magazine *Vrij Nederland*, Mr Vredeling, a socialist, said of Dr Luns: "I find his mentality terrible. He irritates me incredibly. If he gets under my feet again I will kick him straight between the buttocks. He talks according to his intelligence, and that is not saying much. He is free to do so. Freedom of speech is so important to me, but only served for him."

"I recently had a tremendous row with him. I was in the dock. He was talking about stop his strategy. I said after all those slogans 'I can think of more intelligent way of guiding Nato defence'."

"He refused to allow me to ask further. In that sphere ministers would rather dirty their pants than say one word out of place. I said: 'I do not consider that you have the right to forbid a minister to speak'."

"I dropped like a bomb."

Referring frequently to the atomic concentration camp persecutions he had during the second World War Mr Vredeling said that he was allergic to uniforms, disliked Germans, vaguely anti-Nato, and his life was pro-Russian.

"I once threw a stone in a ditch full of corpses, and a cloud of flies came up at me. Still flies are around."

On civil servants he said: "If I have to walk straight over my servants, Max van der Meulen (the Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs) does not. He is always behind them with a ugly face. Is that what he is paid 120,000 guilders (0,000) a year for? Ministers should be paid 30,000 guilders a year. That would soon sort who is serious and who is not."

Mr Jan Pronk, the Minister of Development, was "an excellent, a college brick".

Rudolph Lubbers, the Economic Minister, had told him had been through the controversial 10-year defence plan earlier this month in a fine tumbler. Mr Vredeling went on.



Mr Henk Vredeling: a "row" with Nato Secretary-General.

"I myself have never read the whole thing through in one go. When it was complete I felt rather like a woman must feel after giving birth."

He would have preferred to have been a member of the board of Unilever, representing the employees' interests and to have launched the biggest strike in Europe.

He suspected that the interview might cause his resignation, but if that was the price to pay for telling the truth then he no longer wanted to be a Cabinet minister.

The interview has caused a storm of protest from the parliamentary opposition. The Dutch Cabinet, however, has supported Mr Vredeling with some reservations.

A Socialist Party spokesman commented on the freedom of speech was built into the Dutch constitution, and that it also applied to ministers. If Mr Vredeling had to resign, the spokesman said, it would mean that telling the truth had once and for all been established as a deadly sin for politicians.

Deadlock in Berlin talks is overcome

From Gretel Spitzer
Berlin, Aug 29

Talks between the West Berlin and East German representatives are slowly getting underway again. It looks as though the deadlock caused by East Germany's announcement over the setting up of the Federal Environmental Agency in West Berlin has been overcome.

Talks on issues of mutual interest concerning water were held on Tuesday and discussions on boundary rescues were resumed today in East Berlin between East German and Senate officials. A spokesman for the Senate would only say that the three-hour meeting took place in a business-like atmosphere and that a further session was planned in about four weeks' time.

The talks on boundary rescues concern help to people involved in accidents on the boundary between East and West Berlin. They started some time ago after incidents in which West German children were drowned because help from the West German side was hampered by the East Germans whose own rescuers arrived too late.

The talks were interrupted for more than two months although there is agreement that a solution has to be found. This agreement in principle, however, did not prevent the East Germans from cutting a special communications line between the police in both parts of the city.

What seems to complicate an understanding is the East German demand for a formal agreement with the Senate. The Senate, in accordance with the Western allies, tried to achieve an informal understanding which would permit West German police and fire brigades to do rescue work affect the status of the divided city. In Western terms the borders between East and West Berlin are boundaries between the Soviet sector and the Western sectors. East Germany sees them as borders between its capital and West Berlin.

Now both sides seem to have agreed to play down their disagreements.

In view of the present West German policy of playing down past difficulties the United States is understood to see no reason to further delay establishing full diplomatic relations with East Germany.

Paris newspaper born in wartime Resistance loses the struggle for its survival 'Combat' publishes last issue today

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Aug 29

The combat of *Combat*, the brave struggle of the independent left-wing Paris daily newspaper which started as a clandestine Resistance journal during the German occupation, will come to an end when the final 9,376th issue goes on the streets tomorrow morning.

M. Jean-Marc Smadja, nephew of Henry Smadja who managed to keep the newspaper alive out of his own pocket for years until he died last July, told the staff today that the newspaper was winding up.

On Monday *Combat* sold only 2,437 copies in Paris, compared with the 180,000 copies it made in 1945 when Albert Camus was its editor. It had been making losses of between 150,000 and 200,000 francs (between £13,600 and £18,100) a month recently and has now gone into liquidation, the staff were told.

Some 20 journalists, a composing room of 20, and a commercial staff of eight, who have for years made sacrifices to keep the newspaper alive, will receive their August salaries but the firm has no funds for severance payment. The staff will receive payments from state social security.

For months the 12-page tabloid was only a shadow of its former self when, besides Camus, ment like André Malraux, Georges Bernanos and Jean-Paul Sartre wrote for it. Last February the majority of the staff led by M Philippe Tesson, the editor, left, and in April launched the bright and until now successful newspaper *Le Quotidien de Paris*.

Saluting *Combat*, which disappears 30 years after the liberation, *Le Monde* tonight wrote: "The disappearance of a newspaper is always to some extent the loss of liberty. It occurs always amid the indifference of the public, officialdom and even of journalism itself. How can one not regret that?"

Easier life for French national servicemen

From Richard Wigg
Paris, Aug 29

Life for the almost 250,000 young Frenchmen called up annually to do their national service should now become less rigid and somewhat closer to the ways of today's society.

M. Jacques Soufflet, the Gaullist Minister of Defence, after a Cabinet meeting yesterday, issued orders designed to modernize conditions for military service. The changes make it seem likely that France will keep conscription, which now is for an 18-month period of service.

The changes are a modest first step coming from President Giscard d'Estaing's 10-day review which he recently held with senior service chiefs, politicians and defence experts. Its aim was to plot the future course of defence policy and try to close the widening gap between the services and the rest of the nation.

The discontent with the national service and the authoritarian Army ways had been obvious since the street protests by young people in the spring of last year against M Michel Debré, who was then Minister of Defence.

Inside the forces morale has been acknowledged as low. The new Government has taken account of the shock that an estimated 50 per cent of all service men voted for M Mitterrand, the left's candidate at the presidential election in May.

Indicative of the changes now ordered by M Soufflet's 10-point programme for handling the better educated young servicemen of today is the abandonment of a list of 250 newspapers and publications hitherto banned from the barracks. Newspapers like *L'Humanité*, the Communist Party organ, will now be permitted to the troops. Only 10 publications of a clear anti-military tendency are forbidden.

During the election campaign Army recruits wrote a so-called "Letter of the 100" to both candidates demanding sweeping changes. The Ecole Supérieure de Guerre has been studying the demands since. A minimum wage, as in civilian life, was demanded by the authors of the letter, but this has not found acceptance though their demand for uncensored reading has been accepted.

Soldiers will be given one weekend off in every two or three weeks, depending on units. Their postings are to be changed in rotation so as to counteract boredom.

Even those service officers who cling to the old authoritarian ways, have noticed that morale is lowest where recruits are forced to do office work at headquarters. On the other hand conscripts posted to the armoured regiments on the Rhine frontier tend to enjoy their service.

The French Army is also about to discover sport in a big way, with all sorts of games and outdoor activities being required. All servicemen who learn to drive will be given a private driving licence on demobilization.

Iceland to keep US force at Keflavik air base

From Our Correspondent
Copenhagen, Aug 29

Mr Geir Hallgrímsson, Iceland's new Prime Minister, said today that Iceland expects to widen its fishing limits to 200 miles - before the end of 1975.

In an interview with the Danish State Radio he said: "We hope that the United Nations conference on the Law of the Sea will have results that will bring recognition for this fishing limit. But even at the worst the conference should provide a sufficient basis to permit our wider limit to be introduced."

He said that both parties in the new coalition Government favoured Iceland's continuation as a member of Nato, but they were not completely agreed on the status of the Keflavik air base.

They had therefore agreed not to make any change for the time being or demand the withdrawal of United States forces stationed there.

In a comment tonight Mr Niels Anker Koføed, Danish Minister for Fisheries, regretted that Iceland intended to act alone on its fishing limits, but as the Prime Minister says so, the new limit would appear to be a reality from next year.

Three Britons held in Spanish jail

Three British holidaymakers are being held in a Spanish jail accused of attacking a policeman. Mr Raymond Murphy, aged 21, Mr Peter Crawley, aged 19, and Mr Ian Gascoyne, also 19, who were holidaying in Lloret de Mar were arrested early on Saturday.

The three, all from Wellingborough, Northants, are being held in jail in Gerona, although no charges have yet been made.

None of the parents of the detained youths has been officially informed of the incident and Northamptonshire police have asked Interpol to make inquiries.

Soviet navy submarines the move

Our Defence Correspondent

Our Defence Correspondent says Soviet submarines, led by Don class depot ship, are leaving for the Strait of Gibraltar from a Soviet naval base in the north, probably Murusk, according to Western sources last night.

The four, all Foxtrot class, all-powered attack submarines, constitute the normal six-monthly replacement force for duty in the Mediterranean. On their arrival, four submarines on station in the area will leave for the Atlantic, their tour of duty complete.

Anti-air patrol aircraft from the United States, Norway and the Netherlands have shadowed the group on their way south down the west coast of Ireland. If they maintain their present speed they are expected to enter the Mediterranean tomorrow or Sunday.

Sir Christopher Soames goes ahead with tour

From Roger Berthaud
Brussels, Aug 29

Sir Christopher Soames, Vice-President of the European Commission, will leave on Saturday on a long-planned, four-week official visit to Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines. The fact that the former Conservative Minister is going ahead with this journey seems to put paid to the latest speculation that he might be about to re-enter British politics.

Yesterday a Conservative MP, Mr Peter Tapsell, suggested that either Sir Christopher or Mr Enoch Powell should be offered the Conservative candidature at Loughborough caused by the decision of Mr Jeffrey Archer not to stand again. Alluding to the expected October general election, Sir Christopher said at a press conference in Brussels today that he had a job to do here, and anyway would he away at the time.

Despite repeated speculation, Sir Christopher, who was Minister for Agriculture from 1960 to 1964 and then Shadow Foreign Secretary, has shown no desire to relinquish his four-year mandate as a Commissioner in Brussels. He arrived in January, 1973, from

Paris, where the Labour Government had sent him as Ambassador after he had lost his seat in 1966.

He would be unlikely to abandon his chances of succeeding M Francois-Xavier Ortoli, of France, as President of the Commission, diminished though these may be by doubts surrounding Britain's continued EEC membership, with out solid prospects of a senior post in a Conservative Government.

As the Commissioner for external relations and trade, he wants to see for himself the problems of countries which look to the enlarged EEC for much of their trade, and which attach great importance to relations with Europe. It is his second big tour. He visited Japan and seven other Asian nations last September.

In Australia a big meat exporter, Sir Christopher will have to listen to bitter complaints about the EEC's temporary ban on beef imports. Australia has a large trade deficit with the Nine.

The New Zealanders want to explain to Sir Christopher their case for a higher price for their butter exports. They are not at present shipping to Britain the full 166,000-ton annual quota.

Lisbon airline staff go back to work

From Our Correspondent
Lisbon, Aug 29

The Lisbon strike of maintenance staff of the national airline TAP ended today and the services are being resumed after two and a half days. Suspension of flights was costing about £17,000 an hour.

An announcement on Tuesday night warned the strikers that the Government was handing over the company to the armed forces to run. Almost the entire Portuguese civilian air fleet was grounded. The only movements were those aircraft chartered by the Government to evacuate troops from Guinea-Bissau before the independence day.

After the two and a half days of negotiations the armed forces apparently gave an ultimatum to the strikers, who decided to go back to work today.

The first services to be resumed were flights to Madeira, the Azores and Africa, for which there are long waiting lists. It is not yet known whether the airlines will take any steps against the strikers, and so far no arrests have been reported. A law published this week grants workers the right to strike in Portugal, a right they have not had for 50 years.

A go-slow by the staffs of foreign airlines continues and the employees have given the companies until Monday to grant their demands. Since August 22 they have been striking for two hours a day during the slack period of their work.

Recent publicity about increased bread prices may have encouraged a belief that British bread is among the most expensive in the world. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Even if it were not subsidised (by around 2½p per 28 oz loaf), the British loaf would still be one of the cheapest in the world. In terms of food-value per penny, it remains Britain's best protein buy.

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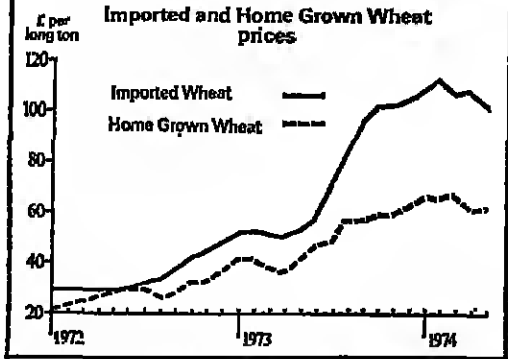
How has this been managed? After hundreds of years, a loaf is still made from flour, yeast, salt and water, and the British baker's raw materials depend on much the same world factors as everybody else's. The answer is efficiency and heavy capital investment allied to technological progress.

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That's by no means the whole story. The Chorleywood Bread Process also makes it possible for more of the soft wheat grown in our own country to be used in bread-making. Correspondingly less of the more expensive hard wheat which has to be imported from North America is required. The price differential between the two types of wheat is substantial. Over three-quarters of Britain's bread is now being made by the Chorleywood Process.

What comes next?

Another research programme which could increase the percentage of British soft wheat in our bread is based upon the feasibility of using microwave energy to bake the loaf. Technical problems remain but, within a matter of years, commercial application of this process may see an ever-increasing proportion of the lower-priced soft wheat used in British bread, with further saving in our balance of payments.

The industry's research effort recently led *The Director* (November 1973) to observe "Despite popular legend, a main objective of the bakers is to limit increases in the cost of the loaf". Although the cry of "jam tomorrow" has become increasingly suspect, the bakers have already done their utmost to ensure that British consumers enjoy plenty of good bread at realistic prices today.

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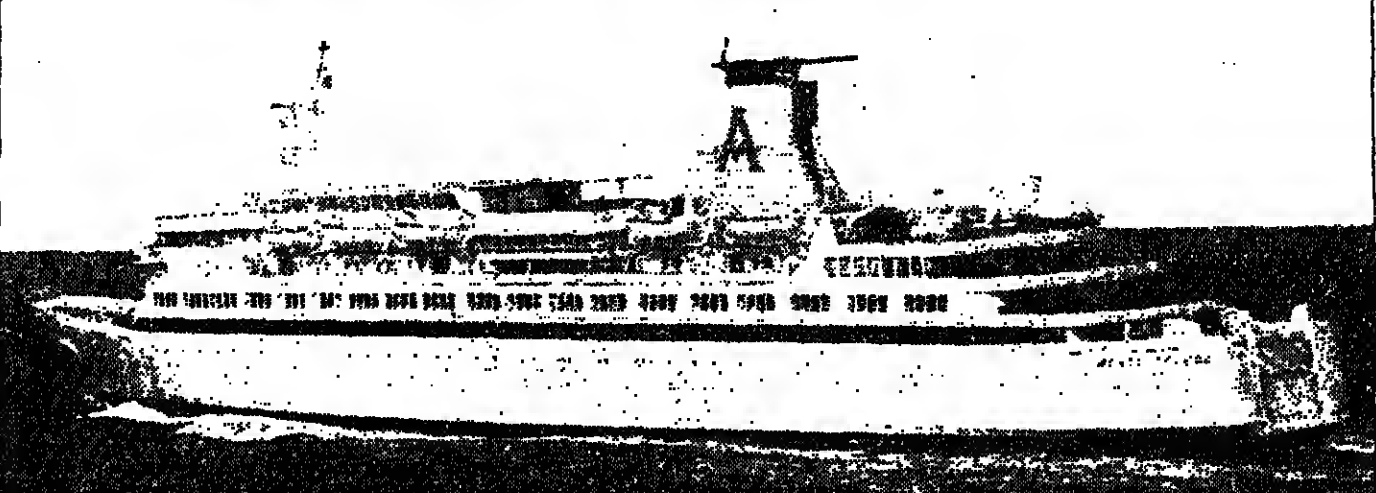
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OVERSEAS

Arabs consecrated as Anglican bishops in Jerusalem

From Eric Marsden Jerusalem, Aug 29 Two Arab bishops of the Anglican Church were consecrated in Jerusalem today in a ceremony marking a further stage in the process of setting up an autonomous and indigenous Anglican organization in the Middle East.

Canon Faik Ibrahim Haddad and the Rev Aql Aql, both Palestinian Arabs, received their episcopal mandate and took the oath of obedience at a service in St George's Cathedral conducted by the Vicar-General of Jerusalem, the Right Rev Robert Stoppford, former Bishop of London.

Bishop Haddad's office as co-adjutor bishop will be within both the present diocese of Jerusalem and that of Jordan, Lebanon and Syria. He is expected to become bishop of a united diocese likely to be formed eventually from these two. The bishop, a graduate of the American University in Beirut, has been Vicar of Jerusalem since 1965.

Bishop Aql, also a Beirut graduate, becomes assistant bishop in the diocese of Jordan, Lebanon and Syria, resident in Amman. He has served in Beirut, Damascus, Amman and Irbid in Jordan, as well as Jerusalem.

The consecration was the first

to be held by the Vicar-General since he took over leadership of the Anglican Church in Jerusalem on the retirement of the last archbishop, the Most Rev George Appleton, earlier this year. It brought an air of discreet pageantry to the cloistered walls of the cathedral in east Jerusalem.

Among those attending were the Apostolic Delegate, Mgr Carew, Archbishop Vasilios of the Greek Patriarchate, representatives of the Armenian and Syrian churches and the High Priest of the Samaritans, the Rev Omran El-Samiri.

Other guests included Bishop Campbell MacLones, who was Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem during the British mandate over Palestine, the Bishop of Iran, the Right Rev Hasan Dhqani-Tafiq, and the Bishop of Cyprus, the Right Rev Leonard Ashton. No Israel Government official was present at the service.

The sermon was preached by the Right Rev N. A. Cusain, Bishop in Jordan, Lebanon and Syria.

Bishop Cusain said: "We look forward to a new church structure in Jerusalem and the Middle East, where the Archbishop of Canterbury will delegate his jurisdiction to the central synod of the new set-up."

Patriarch is criticized

From Our Correspondent Tel Aviv, Aug 29

Roman Catholic priests and monks issued a statement in Jerusalem today attacking efforts by Maximus V Hakim, the Greek Catholic Patriarch in Beirut, to free Archbishop Ilario Capucci, the Patriarchal Vicar of Jerusalem, who was arrested on charges of aiding Arab terrorists.

"We wish that the process of justice establish the full truth", they said. "None of the parties

has anything to gain by political bargaining nor by compromises behind the scenes."

The eight signatories are Israel citizens or residents of long standing in Israel. They belong to the Assumptionist, Carmelite, Dominican and Fatimid orders.

They attacked a statement by the Patriarch which in defending Mgr Capucci invoked the memory of courageous priests who had stood up against the Nazis in wartime.



Señor Zuno: Secret note.

Kidnappers demand a ransom

Mexico City, Aug 29.—Justice officials and police today were studying a ransom demand from the kidnapers of President Echeverría's father-in-law, but maintained strict secrecy about its contents.

Official sources in the western city of Guadalajara, where Señor José Guadalupe Zuno, aged 83, was kidnaped yesterday, said the local office of the Attorney General's Department had finally received the ransom note as promised by the kidnapers.

Troops and police, some flown from Mexico City, ringed Guadalajara this morning checking roads and airports for any sign of Señor Zuno or his abductors.

President Echeverría's wife, María Esther, last night flew to the city.

Federal officials, who moved into the city last month in an attempt to stamp out the political violence and organized crime for which Guadalajara is notorious, have flown four aircraft loads of their own police from Mexico City.—Reuter.

Hint of emergency landing by Soyuz 15

Moscow, Aug 29.—A correspondent of Izvestia hinted today that the night-time return to Earth by the two Soyuz 15 cosmonauts after their two-day flight was unplanned. Western speculation that it was an emergency landing grew as a result.

Both cosmonauts—Lieutenant-Colonel Gennady Sarafanov, the commander, and Colonel Lev Demin, the flight engineer—were reported to be in good condition. Shortly after the landing, it was announced by Tass, Western experts said that the dangerous after-dark return suggested that it might have been an emergency landing.

Mr E. Konovskoy, the Izvestia reporter at the flight control centre, did not say so directly but appeared to hint that the landing had not been planned to take place during darkness. "Night landings are very important," he wrote. "They may be necessary in case of an emergency landing and in the future these landings may become one of the scheduled variants."

The correspondent said it was raining and there was a low cloud cover when the spacecraft came down 30 miles southwest of the city of Tselinograd. There was no explanation why the cosmonauts made repeated approaches to the orbiting Soyuz 13 space station without docking with it. The crew of Soyuz 14 spent two weeks on board the station last month.—UPI.

Our New York Correspondent writes: Officials of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Nasa) were reacting coolly today to the apparent failure of the Soviet space docking operation. They refused to speculate whether anything had gone wrong, and issued a statement saying that there was no direct relation between the Soyuz 15 mission and the joint Soviet-American operation. The last Soviet manned flight known to have been related to the joint operation was Soyuz 12, the statement said.

President Sadat orders press reorganization

Cairo, Aug 29.—President Sadat has ordered a reorganization of the Egyptian press which he criticized yesterday for its sarcasm about the country's economic crisis.

According to the semi-official newspaper Al-Ahram today, he has asked a special committee to draft a "working paper immediately for the reorganization of the press."

Members of the committee are the secretary-general of the Arab Socialist Union—Egypt's sole political organization—the Information Minister and the chairman of the press syndicate (trade union).

Speaking to editors in Alexandria yesterday, he said the press should not be "the tool to ridicule and make fun of our troubles as a nation". But he did not intend to reinstate the recently-abolished censorship.

On the contrary, I want the press to be critical but in a constructive manner and without exaggeration", he said.

Meanwhile Egypt welcomed France's decision to lift its embargo on arms sales to countries directly involved in the Middle

East conflict as opening a direct door to a potential arms supplier, officials said.

A Foreign Ministry source said: "I hope that the French lifting of the embargo will be a positive step, ushering in a more active French role, to bring about a just settlement in the Middle East consistent with French policy which is against occupation of the territories of other countries." — Reuter, UPI.

Beirut, Aug 29.—France told Syria it was willing to enter arms contracts even before announcing the end of its embargo on arms sales to the Middle East, French ministerial sources were quoted as saying here.

Mr Takiyeddin Solh, the Lebanese Prime Minister, said the French decision was a surprise to Lebanon and he did not view the move as a threat to the Arab countries. "If Israel was not currently getting Phantom warplanes, it would have been possible to consider the French decision as directed against the Arabs", he said.—UPI, Agence France Presse.

Indonesian leader begins visit to Singapore

From Our Correspondent Singapore, Aug 29

President Suharto of Indonesia arrived in Singapore today for a three-day state visit which marks dramatically improved relations between the two countries. The Singapore Government has gone to great lengths to make the most of the occasion.

President Suharto and Mrs Tleo Suharto arrived in Singapore from a state visit to Burma by an aircraft belonging to Pertamina, Indonesia's state oil corporation.

Jail for British lorry driver

Richard Wilson, the British lorry driver accused of trying to smuggle a girl friend out of Hungary, has been sentenced in Budapest to four months' imprisonment, the British Embassy said last night. The sentence is backdated to his arrest on June 11 and he has been given leave to appeal.

Treatment of draft evaders may be lenient

Washington, Aug 29.—Mr William Saxbe, the Attorney-General, hinted today that most draft evaders who return voluntarily under President Ford's new policy leniency will face only a few months' public service work.

Mr Saxbe said the Justice Department had found that most of those who had gone home to face indictment for draft evasion had been sentenced to a few months of public service and a period of probation. Some had received no sentence at all.

He acknowledged on the National Broadcasting Company's Today show that this pattern of action by the courts would make it difficult to recommend to the President that more severe standards be set for those who return voluntarily under the leniency programme.

Earlier, Mr Saxbe had flatly ruled out prison sentences and said they would face a maximum of two years of public service—the service required of conscientious objectors during the Vietnam war.

Compromise reached at world population talks

From Dessa Trevisan Bucharest Aug 29

After eight days of intense debate the original plan for action to prevent a world population explosion, was chopped and sliced to reconcile some of the basic contradictions between the internationalist and nationalist approaches.

The plan is now awaiting formal approval by the plenipotentiary conference which will open in Bucharest today.

Whether the new plan will be undersigned by all of the more than 100 countries taking part in the conference, is still uncertain. Some delegations are airily protesting and may wish to put them on record.

The Americans, for example, are somewhat disappointed that the plan did not go far enough in emphasizing the danger of an unchecked population growth.

The Chinese, too, are expected to voice their disapproval, mainly on ideological grounds, that the fears of a growing population are merely the superpowers' device to keep the Third World in check.

The Vatican has also reserved its position on the document and is expected to make an important statement within the next few days.

Nevertheless there is a general sigh of relief, that however trimmed and contradictory the plan is, its basic objective did survive. The champions of the plan are now busy in their efforts to secure more specific commitments pledging the governments to provide information and means of contraception by 1985. But the defeat was offset by the signing of one of the key passages inviting governments to invite their citizens to curb their rate of growth.

On the whole it is a balanced document, setting a compromise between global action and individual rights of countries to manage their own affairs.

The view has been also upheld that the population growth is not the main cause of poverty and that family planning should take an initiative at the national level. It could be argued that a country with an "exert moral pressure in the international arena".

Rebel Kurds turn to Britain for aid

By Edward Mortimer

The Kurdish rebels in Iraq, at present under heavy pressure from the biggest offensive ever mounted against them by the Government, are appealing to Britain for both political and humanitarian support.

A Kurdistan medical aid committee was set up in London earlier this week after a meeting between representatives of the newly formed Kurdistan Red Crescent and of British relief organizations. The committee's honorary president is Lord Kilbracken, for long an advocate of the Kurdish cause. A member of the Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP), which provides the political leadership of the rebellion, also has been in London for the past week on an undisclosed private mission.

He claims that while there have been between 60,000 and 80,000 refugees from Iraq Kurdistan on the Iranian side of the border, virtually the whole of the population remaining within the "liberated area" of Kurdistan—some 1,500,000—should be considered as displaced persons. Iraq bombing has driven them out of their villages and forced them to take refuge in the mountains, often living in caves.

The Kurdistan Red Crescent has produced a list of equipment and drugs which, it says, are urgently needed. It includes tents, blankets, clothes, "especially children's"—milk, tinned food and first aid kits, as well as more specialized medical items. According to the visitor from the KDP, some children have died already of starvation or of malnutrition combined with diseases for which no treatment is available.

A young Kurdish doctor presented the London meeting with a gloomy picture from the health point of view, saying there were no hospitals in his country recognizable as such by western standards.

The international Committee of the Red Cross, in a letter dated August 14 to General Barzani, the Kurdish leader, said it is unable to help present because the conflict is not internal one, not national, and the Iraq Government has refused its offer of British help. Politically, the Kurds feel the British have a responsibility to help them because of the conditions on which Iraq was mandated to Britain by the League of Nations in 1925 and that the Kurdish people should be assured of their national rights. They contend that Britain should take an initiative at the United Nations to call for an end to the war and general "exert moral pressure in the international arena".

Ankara, Aug 29.—Kurdish rebels have blown up a pipeline in the rich Kirkuk oilfields in northern Iraq, the Indonesian Turkish news agency Rana reported today.

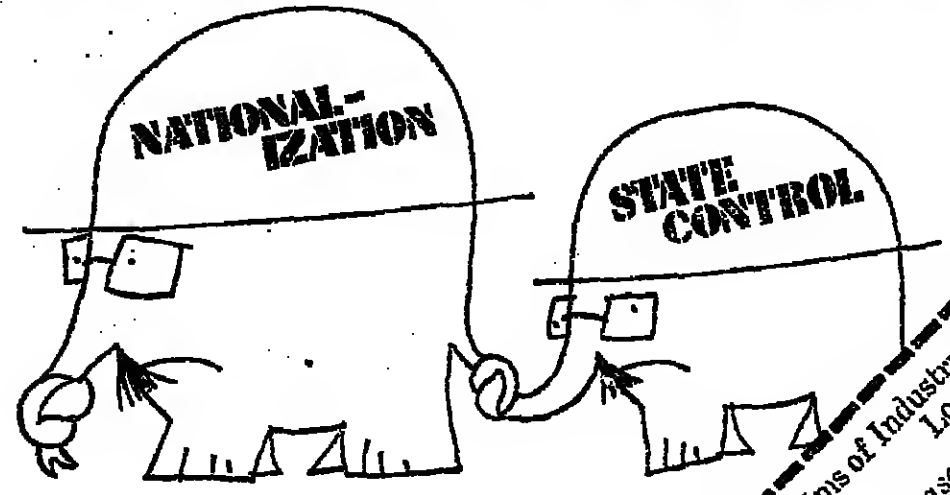
It said that General Barzani was threatening to attack oil installations unless the Iraq Air Force stopped bombing Kurdish villages.—Reuter.

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Portuguese troops hand over four bases to Frelimo as talks are expected to resume

Beira, Aug 29.—Portuguese troops in Mozambique have handed over four main garrisons to local agreements with African nationalist guerrillas, the Army said in Beira today. A communique said that the first of the installations in the northern part of the province were handed over to the Mozambique people. According to Army sources, the move is part of a continuing reduction of hostilities between military forces and Frelimo as the Portuguese territory heads towards independence.

President Spínola's courage earlier this week in ending four centuries of Portuguese domination over Guinea-Bissau was comparable to General de Gaulle's historic decision to end the Algerian war, one of the Angolan liberation movements said today. If the Portuguese President remained consistent in his plans for the full decolonization of Angola, he would have the full understanding and cooperation of Unita (Union for Total Independence of Angola). Unita is one of the three liberation movements. This viewpoint was expressed by Mr Jorge Sangumba, the movement's foreign affairs spokesman, who will lead a Unita delegation to any future negotiations.



Firemen dousing the burning rubble that was left after yesterday's explosion and fire at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

£4m damage in Chattanooga explosion

Chattanooga, Tennessee, Aug 29.—A tremendous explosion ripped through a row of night clubs, business premises and flats today, hurling debris more than a block away and causing damage estimated by firemen at \$10m (about £4m). One body has been recovered and at least 13 people were injured, Mr Gene Roberts, fire and police commissioner, declined to speculate whether the blast was caused by natural gas. Preliminary indications are

that it was something other than a bomb, he said. Mr Gene Glaze, his deputy, said the entire block on Ninth Street would have to be razed because buildings that escaped the fire caused by the blast suffered extensive structural damage. Flames which soared 200ft high destroyed St James Baptist Church and two houses behind the clubs. The explosion was heard four miles away. Sergeant Don

Weller and Officer Rick Wynn of the Police Department were three blocks away when the explosion occurred and said they found a holocaust when they arrived. "We saw people lying on the pavement and running from the buildings screaming," Sergeant Weller said. "We went to what was left of the barber's shop and pulled about five people from under the debris. They stayed inside as long as we could trying to search for others,

but the walls started caving in on us." In Hemet, California, firefighters using Vietnam War technology gained partial control over a fire which had raged out of control through thousands of acres of brush timber and forced holidaymakers to flee. For the first time in fire fighting, helicopter pilots wearing eyeglasses like binoculars that enabled them to see as well as in daylight, made repeated water drops during the night.

Corruption allegations embarrass Delhi

From Michael Hornsby Delhi, Aug 29. The ruling Congress Party of Mrs Indira Gandhi has been acutely embarrassed by allegations of corruption in the allocation of import licences. Opposition members claimed in Parliament this week that import licences had been granted to seven "blacklisted" firms in Pondicherry on the basis of a memorandum contained in a memorandum signed by 21 Congress MPs and submitted to the Foreign Trade Minister in 1972. Mr Madhu Limaye, the leader of the Socialist Party, said that the equivalent of £160,000 had been accepted in bribes and that the licences had been sold by their recipients on the black market at a premium of 400 per cent. Nineteen of the Congress members alleged to have signed the original recommendation told Parliament yesterday that the signatures had been forged. Mr L. N. Mishra, who was Minister of Foreign Trade in 1972, told the House that he remembered receiving a letter purporting to be signed by a number of MPs, but no import licences had been issued on the strength of it. Earlier, Mr D. P. Chatterjee, the Minister of Commerce, who now also handles foreign trade, said that the licences had subsequently been granted "on merit" and in accordance with the regulations.

India to absorb Sikkim into political system

Our Own Correspondent Delhi, Aug 29. The Government in Delhi today approved a draft of a Constitution Amendment Bill for the absorption of Sikkim into the Indian political system, thus heralding the erosion of what little of the small Himalayan kingdom's nominal sovereignty. A broad outline of the measure was endorsed at a meeting this morning led over by Mrs Gandhi, Prime Minister. It is expected that the measure will be submitted to Parliament for approval before the present session ends next week. There is no doubt that the bill will be passed as Mrs Gandhi's Congress Party enjoys substantial parliamentary support. Two important opposition parties, the Jan Sangh and the Bharatiya Kramik Dal, already indicated that they support it. It is understood that the bill will make it possible for the Sikkim Assembly to elect two representatives to the Indian Parliament, one to the Upper House and the other to the Lower House. Sikkim will be brought within the scope of India's five-year term plans. In the parliamentary session today concerned the

possibility that Sikkim would be given the unprecedented status of an "associated state" to get round the constitutional difficulty of giving parliamentary representation to non-Indians. A special provision expressing a desire for closer political and economic relations with India was contained in the Government of Sikkim Bill, which gave the kingdom a new constitution in June. The Sikkim Assembly is controlled by the Nepal-dominated Sikkim Congress Party. The Nepalis, who form 75 per cent of the Kingdom's population of 200,000, were behind the violent agitation in April, 1973, which led to India's armed intervention and the reluctant agreement of Palden Thodup Namgyal, the Chogyal (ruler) of Sikkim, to the holding of popular elections. Under the new constitution, the powers of the Chogyal, whose family is of Tibetan ancestry and belongs to the minority Bhutia-Lepcha community, are limited to the formal approval of action taken by the Assembly or an Indian-nominated chief executive. The Chogyal and his followers made attempts in June to delay the passage of the constitution. The Chogyal finally signed the Bill under great Indian pressure.

Most accused rebellion Philippines

Manila, Aug 29.—The Jesuit Superior in the Philippines, Father Benigno, has been charged with treason, presidential palace sources said today. Earlier today Roman Catholic authorities said Mayor Mayo was arrested in a raid on the Sacred Heart convent in Quezon City last night, together with a priest, 13 men and women. Sources said Father Mayo was arrested and 13 others had been in Church custody during investigation of the case. Government today said the seizure of business documents allegedly used by a communist arms ring. The rebels have overrun northern Philippines townships in Lanao province after attacking it three days ago, informed sources here today.—Reuters, UPI, France-Press.

Communists open new front in S Vietnam

Saigon, Aug 29.—South Vietnam Government troops counter-attacked today to drive back communist units which had thrust towards a strategic base camp and highway below the northern city of Hue, the Saigon command said. The communists, opening a new front in their series of summer campaigns yesterday attacked along a six-mile line west and south of La Son camp, which protects a crucial highway 15 miles south-east of Hue. More than 2,000 shells struck Government positions as the assault opened. The infantry based at La Son camp still have control of Highway 1, the crucial north-south artery. The fighting was the farthest north of any of the regional campaigns launched by the communists this summer, and about 30 miles north of the area in Quang Nam province where big forces have clashed in the past six weeks.—Reuters.

China's rice output may be record successive record

Beijing, Aug 29.—China, the largest rice producer, is heading for a record harvest for the third year in a row in spite of bad weather. The best reports have been received by eight of the 13 provinces of central and south China which produce most of the country's rice, and all an increase on last year's output. The reports indicate that China's output will probably be a smaller increase than last year's, observers said, which added to an already disappointing summer wheat harvest could be a disaster for a country with an 15 million mouths a year and two annual rice harvests are reckoned to make up about two fifths of China's total grain production, which last year reached a record 250 million tons. The boost in output was attributed to a number of factors, including increases in the area under cultivation, improved irrigation, better seed and plant protection and the introduction of improved strains. China is basically self-sufficient in grain production, but rice is an important source of foreign exchange as well as of nourishment. The Chinese import large quantities of wheat from Canada, the United States and Australia, enabling them to export rice at a considerable profit.—Reuters.

Sweden stages big underground test

Stockholm, Sweden, Aug 29.—A nuclear underground test took place today in the Soviet Zemplin area, Professor S. Beath, head of the Swedish Seismological Institute reported.—A.P.

Australian flying ban to save fuel

Canberra, Aug 29.—The Royal Australian Air Force has banned unnecessary flying from its bases at Amberley, Queensland, and Williamtown, New South Wales, because of a fuel shortage, a Defence Department spokesman said today.—Reuters.



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The night sky in September

By Our Astronomical Correspondent

Mercury is an evening star but is unlikely to be seen in Britain. Venus is a morning star rising about an hour and a half before the sun and at about 15° above the horizon at sunrise. Magnitude -3.4.

Mars is now too near the Sun for observation.

Jupiter rises at about sunset and will be visible all night. Opposition is on the 5th, when its magnitude will be -2.5. Moon near on the 1st, 28th and 29th.

Saturn is a morning star to Gemini, rising round about midnight. Moon near it on the morning of the 12th.

Uranus is too near the Sun for observation.

Neptune is running into daylight and is not really observable.

The Moon: full, 1st; last quarter, 9th; new, 16th; first quarter, 23rd.

Algol: approximate times of minimum are 1d24h, 4d21h, 24d22h and 27d19h.

The equinox, when the Sun crosses the equator from north to south, occurs on 23d10h.

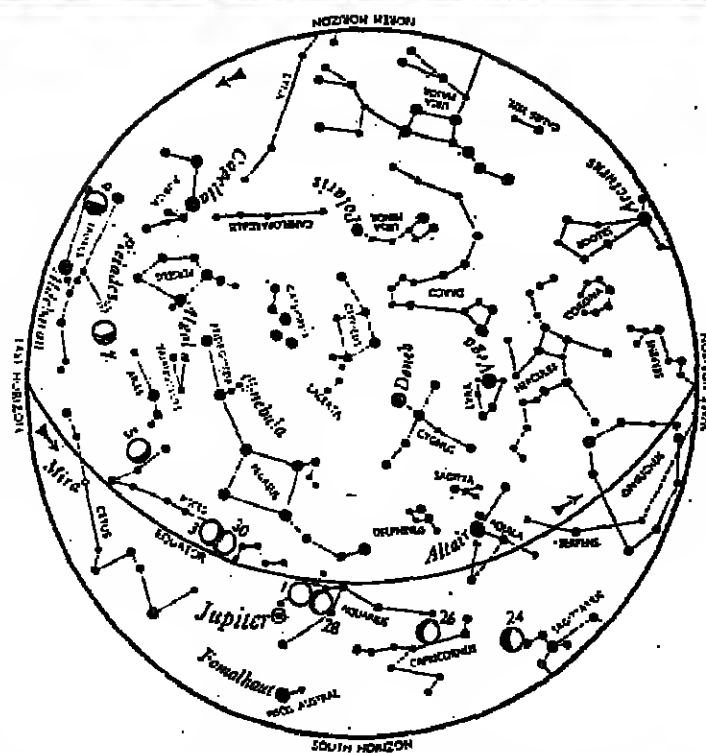
Because of the combined effect of the Earth's rotation on its axis and revolution around the Sun the stars reach the same positions in the sky approximately four minutes earlier each night, or two hours a month. The location of the

constellations with respect to the horizon and the points of the compass shown for 23h in our August map will occur about 21h on September 1, so it is useful to preserve the maps from month to month. If, therefore, you go out at 10 pm BST early in September the August map showing the Moon, of course, will show you that the summer triangle Deneb-Vega-Altair is due south, and the constellation of Sagittarius is just west of the south point of the horizon.

After the 8th the Moon will not have risen by that hour and you will be able to see the Milky Way, from Perseus in the north-east, nearly overhead in Cygnus, and sweeping down before you to reach the horizon near Sagittarius. On a sparkling night, such as we sometimes get after rain during the day, it is a superb sight both as a whole to the raving eye and bit by bit with binoculars. To get the best of it keep away from all lights for 10 minutes or so to let the eyes get dark adapted. The brightest portion is the Sagittarius region, never well seen from our high latitude; the early September days provide your last chance to study it until next year.

As time passes the August map will give way to the September one. The summer triangle will move westward and be replaced by the "great square" of Pegasus approaching the meridian. It is interesting to see how many stars you can count inside the square, and afterwards look again with binoculars.

The star nearest the P of Pegasus really belongs to Andromeda and is a starting point for locating the object marked "nebula". That is no longer a suitable name, for the hazy spot, just discoloration to the naked eye but better with binoculars, is not a nebula; all the hazy spots were so called when first seen. It is a disc-like assembly of stars similar to our own, a



galaxy; its inhabitants, if any, could see a Milky Way as we do.

The myriads of stars in our Milky Way are by no means all at the same distance from us, but to convey a reasonable idea one could say that the background light, not the stars we see as individuals, has taken about 50,000 years to reach us, compared with eight minutes for sunlight and a little over four years for the nearest star. Light from the Andromeda galaxy, the most distant object visible to the naked eye, has been at least two million years on the way.

The diagram shows the brighter stars that will be above the horizon in the latitude of London at 23h (11pm) at the beginning, 22h (10 pm) in the middle and 21h (9 pm) at the end of the month, local mean time. All places away from the Greenwich meridian the Greenwich times at which the diagram applies are later than the above by one hour for each 15 deg west of Greenwich and earlier by a like amount if the place be east. The map should be turned so that the horizon the observer is facing (shown by the words around the circle) is at the bottom, the zenith being the centre. Greenwich Mean Time is shown in 24-hr notation, as used in the accompanying notes unless otherwise stated.

Science report

Bats: Echo-location of insect prey

A bat can produce high-frequency sound waves that bounce back from solid objects and allow it to calculate their positions in much the same way as a warship uses a sonar echo to detect a submarine. Recently, however, some Soviet scientists cast doubt on the theory that insect-eating bats catch their prey in that way.

They said that when they suspended insects inside a large cage containing horseshoe bats, the bats could find the stationary specimens only and stopped sending out sound waves when confronted with a tethered moth flying around the cage.

To the Russians that seemed to indicate that the horseshoe bats could not use ultrasound to capture insects on the wing. But now, two American scientists deny that and report in *Nature* evidence that the bats do indeed use echolocation to intercept their prey.

Usually, once horseshoe bats have left their roost at night it is very difficult to find out where they go to feed. Dr Donald R. Griffin, of Rockefeller University and Dr James A. Simmons, of Washington University, were lucky enough to hear of a colony in the Italian city of Pisa whose hunting grounds were known. The bats roosted in the principal buildings of the Cimitero Suburbano and each night followed a predictable flight along the rows of cypresses in the cemetery grounds.

The team used a microphone attached to an amplifier to pick up the ultrasonic signals from the

rate at which the sound was produced.

Four good recordings of a bat attacking an insect were analysed in detail. When the bats were in level flight they gave out pulses of ultrasound which lasted for 50 to 75 milliseconds and occasionally as long as 85 or 90 milliseconds. But when a bat went into an attacking manoeuvre the duration of the pulses dropped to 10 milliseconds—and in one case 7 to 8 milliseconds. The series of short pulses did not last long, about 0.1 to 0.2 second, but as the interval between each pulse was also reduced (to about 5 milliseconds) the bat emitted about a hundred pulses in each series. That rapid emission of a large number of short pulses is just what one would expect if the animal was trying to gale as much information about its target as possible. Dr Griffin and Dr Simmons conclude that the horseshoe bat gave every evidence that it was using echolocation to locate its prey.

By Nature-Times News Service
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Latest wills

Cousin of Tolstoy leaves £22,600

Cousness Maronissa Tolstoy-Miloslavsky, of Yeckleton, Shrewsbury, a cousin of Leo Tolstoy, and her husband, the Russian nobleman, Nicholas II, last of the Russian Tsars, left £22,622 (duty paid, £2,052).

Mrs Frances Miriam Jones, of Sheringham, Norfolk, left £52,216 net (duty paid, £5,555). After bequests of £50 and effects she left the residue to The British Diabetic Association for Research and the RNIB.

Mary Morgan, of Kinnel Bay, North Wales, left £20,675 net (no duty shown). She left all her property to the National Institute for the Blind, Dr Barnardo's and the RSPCA.

Other estates include (net before duty paid; further duty may be payable on some estates):
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Martland, Mr Eric Walter, of Burscough, Lancashire, company director (duty paid, £49,830) ... £289,463
Mayer, Mr Frederick Michael, of New York, estate in England and Wales (no duty shown) ... £2,413,205
Mifford, Mr John Reginald, of Chedworth, Gloucestershire (duty paid, £35,458) ... £130,748
Prestley, Mr Henry Waller Lavallin, of Hinchin, Hertfordshire (duty paid, £307,598) ... £575,770
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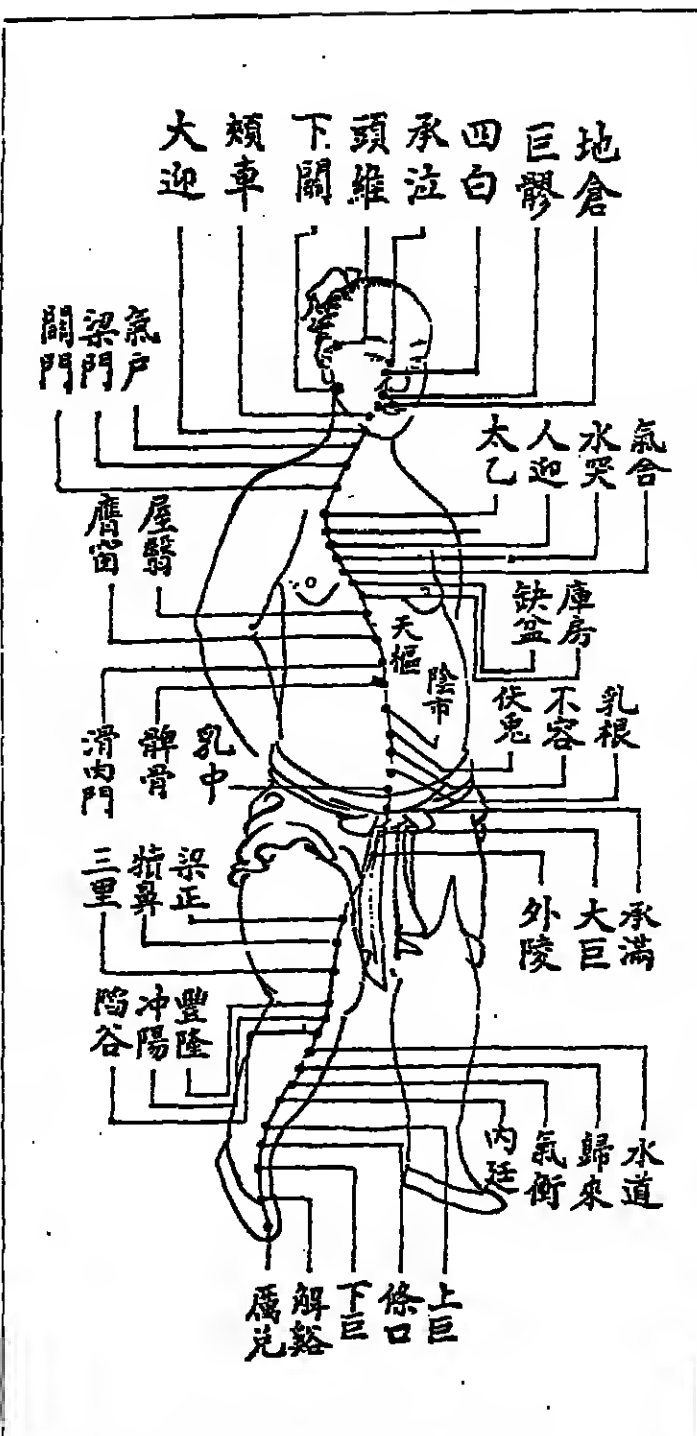
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Acupuncture: the medicine doctors seem determined to ignore



A modern acupuncture chart from Acupuncture by Marc Duke, published by Constable.

What is acupuncture? A genuine system of curative and preventive medicine or a mass of "hocus pocus" rooted in folklore and superstition?

Acupuncture has been practised in China for 5,000 years. The art of pricking the skin painlessly at certain fixed points is taught in the medical faculties of the Republic's universities, it is included in the Chinese medical curriculum and is practised there by half a million doctors.

When Chairman Mao won power he proclaimed that acupuncture should predominate in China in association with western medicine. The practice has now spread throughout the world. In France there are four medical societies, with a total of more than 1,000 members who practise it, and it is possible to obtain the treatment free on the health service. It is taught in at least four Russian universities and has earned official blessing in Japan where it has been used under cover for centuries. Following President Nixon's visit to China world-wide interest was aroused in its use as an anaesthetic, its amazing results as a cure for deaf children and its remarkable effect in the treatment of sick animals. Its use in the relief of pain was also noted.

Teams of research workers from various European medical centres went to China and these findings were confirmed.

The Chinese are small in stature, a placid race not subjected to the strain and tension of western civilization. The chronic rheumatic diseases such as osteoarthritis, disc lesions, migraine, chronic back-ache and the multitude of nervous disorders such as depression, nerve tension and insomnia are not a national scourge. Hence research workers with acupuncture have been neglected in China in the field of these branches of medicine for the past 20 years.

In these 20 years, I and my medical associates who practise acupuncture, have made great progress in the treatment of these illnesses—illnesses which have not to date responded to orthodox medicine. Many thousands of people who have been told that nothing further could be done for them and have been

advised to live on aspirin and other pain killers, have been greatly relieved of their pain and disabilities, through treatment of what I call the "longer leg" syndrome (a condition usually affecting the left leg). Owing to a genetic weakness, we have attained the upright stature millions of years ago early—there is a weakness of the nerve flow to the buttock muscles. This is present in young children giving rise to faulty postures and the consequent aches and pains.

This condition tilts the pelvis and tends to twist the spine and compress the discs causing various aches and pains and neuralgias referred to the limbs. It is the main factor in disc lesions and chronic back-ache that appears to baffle the medical profession. The "longer leg" does not respond to modern methods of treatment, and its cause as a major factor in the chronic rheumatic diseases has not been realized by the medical profession, although the *Lancet*, in January 1970, published a letter on findings. However, using acupuncture, often within seconds the pelvic tilt is adjusted, pressure relieved from the discs, and pain is lessened in intensity. All cases of arthritis have this "longer leg" and pain is relieved almost at once. The Chinese have this genetic weakness, but as I mentioned previously, it may give rise to pain but not to arthritis.

During the past 14 years the Medical Research Council and the Migraine Trust have been approached many times for permission to demonstrate this technique, that would relieve so much human misery; but without success. There is no point in the Medical Research Council sending research workers to China. The results can be assessed here in England on the innumerable cases that have received relief, and here they can be investigated. The acceptance of acupuncture would relieve research on the medical profession, and decimate an ever-increasing drug bill.

Dr Louis Moss
Dr Moss is the author of *Acupuncture and You* published by ELEK Books at £2.

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There is a legend, possibly even a truth for those young enough at the time and in a privileged position to enjoy it, that the Edwardian decade before the First World War was a golden age. If that lost Eden ever existed, its capital was surely Cambridge and its emblem and laureate was Rupert Brooke, the frustrated romantic who sang limerick-like lyrics to the machines, which is not entirely a superstition. A new printing process is about to recreate that rose-crowned period, when there was honey still for tea and Unkempt about those Colleges blew an English unofficial view, magnificently unprepared for the approaching political and social avalanche. The intricate photographic process, developed by the Scolar Press, reproduces facsimiles of manuscripts in pen or even pencil of such verisimilitude that they are, to all intents and purposes, forgeries. Except to a learned connoisseur of ink and watermarks the facsimiles are indistinguishable from the originals.

The press has previously published for the academic community facsimiles of original printed texts, in unsullied form before editors got their claws and critical apparatus on them. This satisfies the feeling, which is not entirely a superstition, that you get nearer to the spirit of the author by seeing his text in the shape that he first published it, that there is a symbiosis between the original medium and the message. The chairman of the Scolar Press, John Commander, says: "We are moving into the more exciting, more difficult field of reproducing literary manuscripts to give scholars direct access to primary sources for textual study."

The process will help the library community out of a growing dilemma. One horn of the dilemma prods them to acquire manuscript material and make it available for research. The other prods them in the opposite direction to preserve it for posterity. The two activities are incompatible. The passage of time and the proliferation of scholars wear out the manuscripts, which are supposed to be preserved. The solution is perfect facsimiles, now possible for the first time, warts, blots and all, with every variation of light and heavy stroke. Mr Commander has come to an arrangement with the Bodleian, the Fitzwilliam, Harvard, Yale and the other great repositories of manuscripts to forge their treasures. The first fruit of this arrangement is the publication next month of facsimiles of the manuscript drafts, from pencilled jottings to fair copies, of four of Rupert Brooke's best-known poems.

The originals, too fragile and too faintly scrawled in pencil to be generally available to all who would like to examine them, are held by King's College and the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge. Sir Geoffrey Keynes, Brooke's close friend from his school days until his death, has written an introduction and commentary to the manuscripts, which are illuminating evidence of Brooke's methods of construction and the nature of his poetic impulse. Sir Geoffrey says: "On the whole the manuscripts suggest that whole lines or groups of lines came readily to his mind: spontaneity was a better resource than intellectual effort in getting what he wanted onto the paper."

The facsimiles of Brooke's first drafts of *The Fish*, his marvellous evocation of the deliquescent fishy underworld from what seems to be inside the skin of a fish, include a doodle of a plump girl. He wrote the poem in 1911 in Munich, where he was learning German and observing the culture of the bourgeoisie. Perhaps the doodle represents the Dutch sculptress with whom he had an adventure at Munich: he described her as "a round damp young sculptress a bit like Lord Rosbery to look on."

The early stages of *The Old Vicarage*, Grantchester, are scribbled on four small sheets of paper. The first has the word "umbrageous" written large at the top and underlined. The word was never used in the poem, as it eventually turned out; but it is significant that it was the memory of the trees and greenery shading the house that set Brooke's nostalgia aching in Berlin.

The facsimiles show four lines later discarded; and the original version of the famous line, which was "Stands the church clock at half past three?" improved in the fair copy to "ten to three."

The manuscript of *The Dead*, the war sonnet that begins "Blow out, you bugles, over the rich dead", shows that Brooke intended it to be called *The Stain Speak*. The change to *The Dead* is not in Brooke's autograph. The drafts also show that what became the last line, "And we have come into our heritage", was first tried as the penultimate line.

The sonnet eventually titled *The Soldier* began "If I should die, think only this of me" was originally called *Content*, meaning that the soldier, lying in his grave on a Greek island or elsewhere, would be satisfied if he were remembered in the terms of the sonnet. Subsequently it was changed temporarily to *The Recruit* that there's some corner of a foreign field that is for ever England" appeared in the first draft as "That in some corner of a foreign field Something of England lies."

These living monuments of the golden age will be accompanied and reinforced by facsimiles of *Easton 1900-1914*, the occasional magazine produced by dons and students of King's, Cambridge. They have an introduction by the founder-editor, Sir Charles Tennison, the grandson of Victoria's favourite bard, and include the first published work by Rupert Brooke, E. M. Forster, Arthur Waley, and other brilliant stars of that unforgettable forgotten constellation before the eclipse.

Philip Howard

Time to grow your own garlic

One of this year's culinary problems has been the difficulty of obtaining a supply of fresh garlic in the shops.

It does not seem to be generally realized that garlic is a crop which can be easily and successfully grown in most parts of this country.

Indeed it is true to say that any soil or situation which is capable of growing shallots can produce a high grade of garlic. Garlic needs a fairly long season of growth. Like shallots, therefore, they should be "planted on the shortest day"—on or around December 21. It is a surprisingly hardy crop. The frosts or snows of the winter will not affect it. Indeed, among the first signs of spring can be the fresh green garlic spears striking up through a blanket of February snow.

Now is the time to prepare the bed. This should preferably be a south-facing border, which can, incidentally, be reserved for the same crop year after year without need for "rotation". The ground should be heavily mulched with compost, grass cuttings, kitchen waste or other handy organic material which should be well dug in to provide a rich growing base.

Meantime the fresh garlic clumps, which are now coming on to the market from the Continent, should be purchased and hung up out of the cook's reach. Prior to planting, in December, the cloves should be separated. Each clove is then planted, about 1½ in deep and 9 in apart. When separating the cloves from the clump the centre clove should be discarded (and given to the cook). This centre clove will not produce a satisfactory growing plant.

The crop will normally be ready for lifting, like shallots, "on the longest day"—on or about June 21. It should then be dried, made into bundles or strings, and hung up until required. The best of the clumps should be set aside to provide "seed" for the next season's planting.

I have been producing excellent crops of garlic, using cloves of each year's crop as "seed" and using the same sunny border for an unbroken period of 12 years. The harvested crop, if hung in a dry place, will remain fresh and fragrant from one year's cropping to the next.

Now is the time to prepare the bed and to purchase the "seed" garlic from your greengrocer.

Frank S. Vine

SPORT

Four winners to lose to Grundy at Kempton

Michael Phillips acting Correspondent This weekend will see some of the best two-year-olds in training in Britain come under scrutiny...

Palace Rose, who attempted to make all the running in last week's Handicap, but faded three furlongs from home, luckily gained compensation in the Colonel Ashton Stakes at Haydock Park yesterday.

Three deletions from St Leger acceptors Weatherly states three horses were included in error in the list of acceptors for the St Leger...

Kempton Park programme

Table listing race details for Kempton Park, including race names like ANGIERS STAKES and participants like Peter Saint, D. Williams, etc.

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Armstrong's winning run should continue

By Jim Saw Northern Racing Correspondent It is a sign of the changing times and of the new look that has come to racing in the past 12 years that the first race at Chester today is for amateurs and lady riders...



Emjay (right) wins the Seven Dials Stakes at Brighton yesterday

Ironical win for Murray on Plum Preserves

Lester Piggott had to forgo four rides at Brighton yesterday because of a stomach upset and one of them, Plum Preserves, provided an ironical twist...

Haydock results From Pierre Guillot French Racing Correspondent This filly was sold by the Derrière de Stud, a half brother to the Critérium de Maisons-Laffitte winner, Round Top...

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UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI KENYA

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THE INSTITUTE OF COMPUTER SCIENCES

1. DIRECTOR. Applicants should hold a Ph.D. or equivalent in a discipline relevant to Computer Science and have at least five years' university teaching or research experience in the field of Computer Science as evidenced by relevant research publications. Administrative experience, preferably in managing an academic Computer Centre, will be an added advantage. Appointee will be responsible for the development of a new University Institute created to further teaching and research in Computer Science and to meet both academic and administrative data processing requirements.

2. LECTURER. Applicants should possess either a Ph.D. in a discipline related to Computer Science or an M.Sc. and at least two years' relevant experience. Preference will be given to applicants with a working knowledge of either FORTRAN or ALGOL 60, who also have an interest in the development of degree courses in Computer Science.

3. SYSTEMS ANALYST. Applicants should be graduates with several years' experience in systems analysis and design and should have an interest in both administrative and research applications. A familiarity with ICL 1900 hardware and software and a good working knowledge of either PLAN or COBOL would be a considerable advantage. Responsibilities will include participating in all aspects of the design, development and maintenance of systems, assisting in the supervision of programmers and advising computer users.

4. SYSTEMS PROGRAMMER. Applicants should be graduates with several years' programming experience and must be familiar with ICL 1900 hardware and software with particular emphasis on the efficient use of E.D.S. utilities and the GEORGE 1 or GEORGE 2 operating systems. Some knowledge of assembly language programming is essential. Responsibilities will include the development of systems software, maintenance of the GEORGE macro and general programme libraries, optimisation of disc storage and tuning the computer configuration to obtain optimum performance. The University has an ICL 1902a, which is shortly being enhanced to 32K words. In addition to basic peripherals, the configuration will include 3 disc drivers, 4 tape decks and a graph plotter. Programmes will be run under a GEORGE 2 or 2+ operating system with off-line.

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Detailed applications (2 copies), including a curriculum vitae and naming 3 referees, should be sent by airmail not later than 1 October, 1974, to:

THE REGISTRAR UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI, P.O. BOX 30197 NAIROBI, KENYA.

Applicants resident in U.K. should also send 1 copy to Inter-University Council, 90/91 Tottenham Court Road, London W1P 0DT. Further particulars may be obtained from either address.

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Greek leaders look to Europe for a solution to the Cyprus crisis

EEC may hold the key to lasting peace in the Aegean

Greece, caught in a diplomatic tug-of-war between the big powers—each peddling an infallible remedy for Cyprus—has now suddenly turned to Europe for help. "What is at stake in this crisis is not the future of Cyprus only," said a Greek leader. "It is the survival of Greece. This is, first and foremost, a European crisis."

The Russian hate to admit it, but this is so. A neutral or non-aligned Greece, fortified perhaps by a Soviet guarantee for her frontiers, would be quite a convenient pawn for the Kremlin's contingency planning in the Balkans. But it can hardly be a match for the Soviet stakes in the Dardanelles, the Caucasian borders, or Turkey's air corridors to the Middle East—and a socialist government in Ankara is not.

While the Soviet Union is intent on railroading the issue into the international limelight for propaganda gains, the United States is crying "wolf" and urging the Greeks to keep the Russians out if they still want "peace with honour" for Cyprus.

Athens is defiantly playing one against the other in the hope of wresting the best possible deal, but the Greek leaders are aware that any Cyprus solution will be hard to swallow. Their main concern today is that it should not be such that it would ruin the delicate experiment in painless transition to democracy at home.

The Greeks see the Russian overture for a United Nations conference just as an opportunity to split the United States. It may be the Greek phantasm, the sense of national pride, which has been deeply hurt, but in practical terms the effect is nil. There

is a very good explanation: If it comes to a crunch, Moscow, like Washington, would give priority to Turkey's friendship, which involves crucial advantages.

The United States is offering Greece the bitter pill of realism. Washington is unable to obtain from Turkey in advance the concession that, for the Greeks, would add honour to peace. The price of federation or cantonization will have to be paid. But this Greek government cannot afford to be blamed any more than the receiver of a bankrupt company.

More and more the Greek leaders realize that the Cyprus crisis is only a symptom of the stronger malaise that bedevils Greek-Turkish relations—the atavistic inter-Aegean antagonism. Mr George Mavros, the Liberal leader who has been handling the

crisis as Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister of Greece, believes that a Cyprus settlement should be part of a broader understanding between Greece and Turkey. There are major bilateral problems ahead: the dispute over Aegean off-shore mineral exploration rights; the treatment of respective minorities; the security and future of the ecumenical patriarchate; and more recently the differences over air traffic control in the Aegean region.

"There has to be a package deal", Mr Mavros said. "Otherwise we shall be spending all our time trying to solve problems with the Turks." But in what context will a deal be possible?

Greece withdrew from the military structure of Nato because the alliance refused to look into a major conflict between two of its members, although since the Cyprus crisis of 1967 the Secretary-General has held a "watching brief" over Greek-Turkish relations.

Nato's indifference to the last Cyprus crisis (which may be simply a result of the fact that Dr Joseph Luns chose the wrong time to give his holiday) gave the Greek leaders the distinct impression that the reflex systems of the alliance were too slug-

gish and that a mechanism for the settlement of internal disputes between members was sorely lacking. President Giscard d'Estaing of France has now come to offer the Greeks and the Turks a European forum in which they could work out a package deal to wipe the slate clean and start anew. In his statement this week he said the greater political unity of Europe might have forestalled the conflict over Cyprus. "This is why France shall undertake in the coming months the initiative for the political organization of Europe," the French President declared.

The collapse of the dictatorship in Greece has set off, almost automatically, procedures for the "defreezing" of Greece's association agreement with the European Economic Community. In view of the fact that France is President of the EEC for August, all this is being done with a strong dose of Gallic zest.

The Greek leaders want to accelerate the target date for full membership from 1984 to, say, 1979—provided Europe helps. This would provide also a reasonable period of grace for transition so that Turkey, despite her difficulties, might join in.

The Greek leaders see that the European Community can provide a framework with a new climate for a Greek-Turkish rapprochement. For Greece this would have the advantage of eliminating the prospect of recurring Turkish intimidation over bilateral problems, as well as the needless arms race that would inevitably ensue. For Turkey, the arrangement would offer her the close identification with Europe that seems to underpin the country's basic policy motivations today.

Mr Mavros welcomed President Giscard's proposal. He told me: "Regardless of the failure of the big powers in averting the Cyprus crisis or in solving it once it erupted, just now Europe is coming to the fore. This is a European crisis. The survival of 300 million Europeans, blessed with immense resources—cultural, political and economic—relies on peace in this region. It is absurd that this issue should preoccupy the two superpowers and not Europe. And in this sense, we hail the initiative of France, which presides over the Nine, as marking the advent of Europe—at last!"

Mario Modiano

Consensus can replace confrontation in industry

Next week at the TUC congress my union will be moving a motion to express full support for the Government's proposals to introduce planning agreements with industry. We are doing it to give Congress a chance to make quite clear that the trade union movement and behind these proposals and to attempt to counter some of the misrepresentation and illogicality of the position taken up in relation to these proposals by the Aims of Industry, and even by the president of the CBI—in his quite astonishing circular in July and the subsequent CBI policy statement. The identification of the CBI with the extremist views of Aims of Industry is disquieting. The position they are taking in relation to the Government's proposals is quite unreal.

What we are talking about is the accountability of industrial decisions which affect the employment of thousands of workers, the lives of whole communities and the balance of employment and competitiveness of the economy. The question is whether these decisions can any longer be taken by boards of directors behind closed doors, or whether decisions taken in the private sector should be subject to some effective form of social accountability.

In fact, there are two arguments being debated separately. The first is about the way in which decisions ought to be associated; there is the politically dominant argument about state intervention and public ownership; and there is the rather newer debate about industrial democracy. In reality these are about the same thing: the powers and responsibilities of industrial decision making in our society.

The over-riding economic background to this debate is that the investment performance of the private sector of industry over the past two decades and particularly in the past three years when surplus funds have been available—has been lamentable.

At the same time, the private sector of industry has in practice become very much inter-related with and dependent on the apparatus of the State. This has a number of aspects: the growing subvention of capital investment by the Exchequer's investment incentives; widespread direct or indirect dependence on state contracts; and the nationalized sectors pricing policy which in effect has operated as a subsidy to the private sector and consumers.

Decisions taken without consultation

The poor investment performance of the private sector emphasizes that the present system of allocating investment resources has not worked out to the benefit of the economy as a whole.

In the years 1970-73, profits boomed. Because of tax changes, retail profits rose even more rapidly. Yet this improvement in company cash flow was devoted not to improving plant and thus Britain's competitiveness, but to investment in the static assets of property, and in acquiring or creating manufacturing capability overseas. The profit windfalls of that period thus served to exacerbate inflation on the balance of payments problem.

Meanwhile, despite increasing Treasury assistance for regional investment, the level of employment and economic activity in our less developed regions did not improve. During this period major decisions on future deployment of funds were taken by our large corporations without consulting either the Government or the workers. It must be in the interest of the community that governments and unions can influence these decisions.

It is precisely in this area, therefore that the Government is proposing the establishment of planning agreements with major companies. These arrangements would mean agreement on future investment plans, industrial mergers and location between government, the unions and the management heard, government assistance to investment—at present automatically given—would be given only on agreement being reached. This

eminently reasonable procedure, which reflects the realities of industry government interdependence, is what the CBI say is unwarranted interference in the management of private enterprise. It should be recognized that such money involved the management prerogative cannot be allowed to over-rule the interests of the community at large. That is what planning agreements are all about, and it is what the CBI appear to be grossly to oppose.

The other source of funds for investment—apart from public money—is the Stock Exchange. It is now obvious that share prices and profit indicators are no reliable indicator of either industrial efficiency or social and national priorities. Yet they are the main mechanism in the country for allocating funds. A positive direction investment is needed. And in this area that the National Enterprise Board will begin to make a contribution.

There are many arguments for public ownership. It can be a means of redistributing wealth from the individual corporation to the community. It can be a way of rationalizing an already dependent relationship between industry and government. Or it can be a means of economic management. But the main argument in the present context for National Enterprise Board approach is the effect on the direction of total new funds. The influence of an acquired shareholding can give to the Government on corporate investment decisions, merger decisions, takeovers and significant changes in production or society.

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Subject to trade union influence

These are also, of course, the very areas of decision which are the concern of industrial democracy. The increasing severity of effects of management decisions on work organization, redundancies and long-term job security have led trade unions to recognize that an influence on these vital decisions is needed. The traditional forms of structure of collective bargaining and the whole basis of company law preclude in the present system an extension of collective bargaining as such to deal with some of these topics.

The TUC Green Paper on Industrial Democracy makes quite clear that these decisions which affect the trade union influence and control. TUC go on to propose a Supervisory Board with 50 per cent trade union participation. The Labour Party have a similar proposal. The GMBWU's proposal—which will be put to the TUC as a direct proposal—is to see a system more linked to the existing structure of collective bargaining.

But this difference of emphasis is about means, not ends. We are fully in accord with the TUC that these kinds of decision should be subject to joint control and that drastic change in company is necessary to effect this. In industry, major changes work organization, and company structure can only be effected after discussion with the consent of the representatives of the workforce. The Employment Protection Bill will lay the foundation of the defensive aspects. Further proposals on legislation on industrial democracy will follow. Policies on industrial democracy must move in line with those for general industrial policy, and the tripartite planning agreement is a central part of this strategy.

We stand four square behind the Government's proposals for the regeneration of industry. Their operation and successful introduction could only be the result of a peaceful and orderly transition to a new industrial structure.

In an ever deteriorating world economic climate that is a risk this country cannot afford to take.

David Baskin

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A photograph from the American book, "Patriot Graves", showing two men in Garda uniform chatting with Provisional leaders Kevin Mallon and Brendan Hughes.

Why the Garda's lot is not a happy one

Dublin You only have to drive around the lanes near the Wexford coast this week to see how the Provisionals have managed to disrupt the Irish police force. At least 400 members of Garda Síochána (Irish guards) brought in from stations all over the south of Ireland were searching for six of the 19 IRA men who escaped from Portlaoise jail, stopping cars every 400 yards and slogging, night after night, through the damp, boggy forests around Gorey. One Dublin paper printed a striking photograph of a line of rubber-booted guards, accompanied by Irish troops, advancing down a hill and added that inevitable lyric by Gilbert and Sullivan about the policeman's lot not being a happy one. They were right.

According to one estimate it cost almost £20,000 a day to carry on the search. Some police complained that they had not eaten for more than 24 hours and by the end of the week their officers were openly suggesting that local people, deliberately forgetting their government appeal to support the security forces, had been acting as decoys for the IRA. Not one of the escapees had been captured. In fact, it did not take the Portlaoise jail break to put pressure on the Irish police—each Provisional was steadily increasing activity along the border, their morale and their popularity has never been as sorely tested as it is now. The distant war which the Royal Ulster Constabulary have been fighting in Northern Ireland for five years suddenly arrived on home ground.

It is hardly surprising that the Irish police always remember to point out that—unlike the RUC—they have no paramilitary role. Although the

plain clothed special branch men at Gorey, for instance, were walking across the local golf course, with sub-machine guns on their backs, looking for all the world like Chicago gangsters, uniformed guards carry no weapons and when the Army is brought in to help them it acts—unlike the British Army in the north—only in support of the civil power. How much longer can this remain the case? Only one policeman has died through Provisional violence—an inspector in Co Cavan who innocently touched a booby trap meant for the British Army when he found it near the border—but the IRA are now making no secret of their enmity towards the Republic's security forces. In Ballina, Co Mayo, three months ago, the guards were spat at in public houses after the funeral of Michael Gaughan, the Provisional hunger-striker, and when Mr David O'Connell, the IRA's best known Army Council member, turned up for a graveside oration hundreds of policemen were hemmed in beside him without being able to make any effort to arrest one of the most wanted men in Ireland.

A fortnight later they regained a little of that prestige they thought they had lost by searching every bus and car which carried IRA sympathisers to the annual Provisional ceremony commemorating Wolfe Tone at Bodenstown in Co Kildare. But here again, they were abused and threatened and spat at—in many cases by young Catholics in Northern Ireland. When Lord and Lady Donoughmore were kidnapped by the IRA it was only Mr Jenkins' political manoeuvring over the Price anker in Dublin for a similar offence, and the British Army

in Ulster suspect the loyalties of several officers in border police stations. An American book published three years ago, for example, contains a photograph of Kevin Mallon and Brendan Hughes—two of the most senior Provisionals in Ireland who both escaped from Portlaoise this month—chatting to two men in Garda uniform in a house after a raid on a Northern Ireland Customs post. The men appear in other photographs in the book, and the British Army believes they are genuine police officers. But British fears about Irish police loyalty have to be taken with a pinch of salt—several British soldiers in the North have changed sides themselves—and there is no doubt that the majority of the Garda hold firm allegiance to their government. Some of them still believe that O'Connell should have been arrested at Ballina, even at the risk of a pitched battle around the graveside and subsequent injuries. At least one senior government civil servant thinks that a time must come when a confrontation will have to be had with the Provisionals, preferably at some remote police checkpoint, but if necessary under the gaze of television cameras just as in Ulster. This is the crux of the matter: the Garda do not want to alienate the Irish population and travel to armoured vehicles like the RUC. Perhaps the Council of Ireland, which would have brought the two police forces into closer contact, might have solved this, but it is not clear that the Northern Ireland executive last May. There is no reason why the IRA should not throw eggs on the face of the Irish police any time they choose, but at what price can this be changed.

Robert Fisk

Scots attitude to oil is no platform for prosperity

That the Government should arrange for its two recent announcements concerning North Sea oil to be made simultaneously was to be expected. The planning decisions—that Drumblie should not be used as a site for platform-building—was closely connected with the other statement on action to obtain suitable sites soon.

The need for production platforms to be built and installed in the oilfields has been an esoteric subject odd difficult for the layman to follow. Briefly these platforms are huge permanent structures for operating the wells. They have to be built at coastal sites near by and floated out to their positions in midsummer. The first platforms required are being constructed in steel; and the first "jacket" for one was recently installed in the Forties Field. These steel platform jackets can be built in shallow water and planning permission for eight sites for them has been granted in Scotland by last February, only one requiring a public inquiry.

In addition, planning clearance was granted 18 months ago for a site at Ardne Point, in the Firth of Clyde, for building hybrid steel and concrete platforms. Some two years ago, however, oilfields were being discovered in deeper water, it was realized that these kinds of platform could not meet all the requirements. Only special concrete platforms would be suitable for certain conditions. To build these, water deeper than 100 metres is needed beside flat land. The right combination can only be found in Britain in the Loch Carron area. There are also a limited number of sites in Norway.

The application for permission to build at Drumblie was related to these special concrete platforms. But Loch Carron is an area of great natural beauty and Drumblie belongs "inalienably" to the Scottish National Trust. The application has been refused after procedures under the Planning Acts had occupied about a year and a half. It is held for each of the other possible sites in the Loch Carron area, such as Loch Kishorn and the Crowlin Islands, more valuable time will be consumed.

This difficulty in producing special concrete platforms is likely to be the most serious cause of delay to the whole of Britain's oil programme. This was foreseen towards the end of last year when the Scottish Office had been working out a two-year time table. The Department of Energy was created in the terms of a small Bill to shorten the planning procedure and enable the Government to purchase sites and let them to operators in certain special cases of great national importance. These proposals were announced in Parliament last January.

Because they were not pursued by the present Government after the election in February, about a year has now been lost. A Bill could have been enacted by May and work would then have started by now on one of the sites, other than Drumblie, in the Loch Carron area.

The two government statements indicate little progress since January. The Government clearly recognizes that a Loch Carron site is needed, if we are not to leave the construction of the special concrete platforms to Norway. Interested parties have been asked in recent weeks if they would agree to forgo a public inquiry concerning a site application which has been made for a site at Loch Kishorn. The Scottish National Trust, for one, has made publicly clear that it will wish to exercise its rights of objection to that and any similar site. Unless a Bill adjusting present planning procedure has been passed by Parliament, an inquiry would be necessary in view of the weight of objection.

Some streamlining of the Planning Acts is certainly needed to avoid inordinate delays in matters of crucial national importance. Although the exploration for oil and its extraction may continue round our coasts for 50 years, since drilling has barely started in our northern and western seas, the construction of particular kinds of platform may not last longer than 10 to 20 years. Conditions have accordingly been attached to planning consents requiring restoration or an acceptable equivalent. In the proposals of last January, the Government was to guarantee restoration. This and most of the other January arrangements have been re-adopted in the present Government in the August 12 statements. What has been lost is time.

The more oil of our own we can produce in the next few years, the more our economy will be assisted, especially in easing our balance of payments. If most of the oil in the British sector of the continental shelf can be built here, we shall gain business and employment in development areas where they are needed and again save foreign exchange. But we are now falling behind our attainable programme for those oilfields where special concrete platforms will be required. A substantial quantity of the oil which could be extracted in 1977 and 1978 will not come ashore if these platforms are not ready in time. In view of some of this oil has already been delayed as a result of the months lost since January. A special effort is now needed to avoid further serious delay.

Gordon Campbell
Gordon Campbell was Secretary of State for Scotland from 1970 until March this year.

I receive a fair number of friendly letters from readers (thank you) and, like all writers who expose themselves regularly in print, I get my share of abusive ones. Some of the latter are extremely rude, and I think I understand why. People get quite infuriated when their views of which they profoundly disapprove are expressed in newspapers which offer them little real chance to express their disagreement publicly.

The most recent occasion when I received a heavy batch of criticism was over a tweet which I wrote about private patients in hospitals. I questioned the use of the word "freedom" to describe the actions of people who used their money to pay for better health care, saying that I thought a more accurate word was privilege. As well as a few abusive letters, I received a number of more calmly critical ones from readers who said that they were not wealthy, but gave up many pleasures in order to pay for privacy in hospitals.

One letter along these lines was printed in our correspondence columns but pressure on space meant that many others were not. Some had complaints then from readers who said that they ignored the views of ordinary people on the question—in spite of the fact that the dominant tone of the corre-

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On letting readers answer back

...spondence we did print on the matter was in favour of private practice.

The Council of Europe is considering imposing on its members the obligation to recognize the right of reply for people who feel they or their organization have been misrepresented in newspapers. Most papers already allow such a right in practice but it is only a small part of the problem. Many people want the right to have their say on subjects in which they have no direct involvement, and are unwilling to be fobbed off with arguments pointing to the practical difficulties.

American newspapers are increasingly tackling this problem by appointing what is called a kind of ombudsman from their own staff, whose job is specifically to defend the readers' interests, present their views to the editorial staff and to answer readers' letters and complaints. This person is called a readers' advocate or reader contact editor or some-

them. The exception is when a reporter is involved in a particularly hair-raising situation—like being held up in the Ledra Palace Hotel in the Cyprus war—when the full details of the hardship he encountered will be reported.

I find this attitude patronising and mistaken. Newspaper readers have many differing interests, but the one certain characteristic they have in common is that they all read newspapers. The features pages are full of interviews with say, authors and film directors, describing the way they work and how they resolve the dilemmas with which they are confronted in their professional life. Hardly a word, though, about how newspapermen make their often more difficult and nearly always more pressing choices.

I think newspapermen should do more to take readers into their confidence. Certainly they should welcome criticism and respond adequately to it. My own readers generally keep me up to the mark in this respect. One recent salutary experience was when I wrote a rather acid tall-piece pointing out the number of readers who had written to me about changing my pseudonym to NPBS, and saying that nobody else need bother. It was written with tongue in cheek but as a joke it did not

really come off. One reader wrote rather angrily saying that although he usually enjoyed my column he was henceforth going to stop reading it. I should never, he said, criticize people for writing to me. If they stooped doing so, I would really be in trouble.

He was absolutely right. I wrote and told him so, explaining that the offending paragraph was meant to be a joke and I am glad to say, he agreed to lift his boycott. I am grateful to him, and to all others who take the trouble to write, for reminding me who we write newspapers for. In the heat of the moment, it is too easy to forget.

Misconception

The Liberal Party's local government officer, Preston Keeling, has some trenchant phrasing in this week's copy of the party newspaper, *Liberal News*. "It seems", he says, "that the Caravan Sites Act 1968 is one of the most unworkable, inefficient and totally idiotic pieces of legislation ever conceived."

Which is unfortunate, because the legislation was conceived by Lord Avebury, the leading Liberal peer, and shepherded through Parliament by him as a private member's bill in the

days when he was Eric Lubbock, Liberal MP for Orpington. Avebury says he feels "wounded" at Keeling's intemperate condemnation of his efforts, though he is quite willing to admit that the time is overdue for new legislation in the field. "My Act was intended as a stop-gap, to prevent caravan dwellers being kicked off their sites at a moment's notice. The intention was that there should then be a thorough examination and a more comprehensive piece of legislation. If doctors fail to treat a patient after he's in hospital, you do not blame the doctor who applied the tourniquet at the scene of the accident".

Keeling, swallowing hard, admits he did not know Avebury was progenitor of the Act when he wrote, and says that in any case it does not alter his view that people who live in caravans are inadequately protected now.

Creating

inventaway P74 sounds like another organization to combat subversion, willful behaviour and untruthfulness, but is in fact a contest to locate and inspire Britain's most creative thinkers. It is a brainchild of the psychologist, Edward de Bono, whose Cognitive Research Trust in Cambridge pioneered thinking as a subject for the school curriculum. That was considered

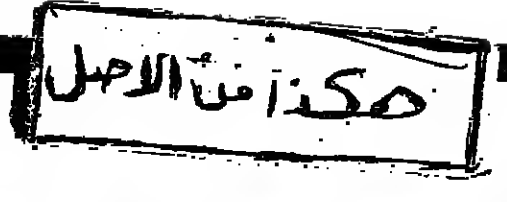


ings; big business comes advice on corporate identities. He has given inventors a list of six problems on which to invent anything, but the organizers are impressed with number of women who tackled the set problems. Their entries, they say, test be more practical than those from men.

One woman, for instance, submitted a plastic bag designed to hold personal belongings in a stay-in hospital. One, a young girl, invented a device for locating and inspiring the most creative thinkers. It is a brainchild of the psychologist, Edward de Bono, whose Cognitive Research Trust in Cambridge pioneered thinking as a subject for the school curriculum. That was considered revolutionary in some educational quarters.

de Bono is now regularly asked to solve curious problems creatively. Frantic producers want him to rewrite film end-

Consensus can confront industry



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UNCHARTERED SEAS

Caracas conference on the of the sea, which has ended no tangible result, illustrates weakness of the United Nations in the role of a legislative body.

The necessity for a strong development of international law is written upon the face of the subject. The seas are a highway; yet nations emerging international obscurity are claiming the right to interfere with traffic. The sea is as well as inside territorial waters (however defined) of gathering importance as a source of food and raw materials, and therefore of competition to exploit is sure to grow as pressures of supply and advanced technology make their extraction commercially feasible.

If that competition is not later by law it can be used to generate conflict. Seas moreover are essential economy of the biosphere, a planet's life supporting matter. Their function in that they can be impaired or destroyed by pollution, contrary appearance of a capacity for illimitable dilution. This calls for research, control and international to be fully effective.

A present corpus of maritime law is inadequate to the task, both in important parts of it are being by states which had

part in its development, and because it simply does not stretch to some of the issues now requiring settlement, such as exploitation of the seabed beyond territorial jurisdiction. The need for development of the law, and its urgency, were recognized by most of the delegations at Caracas, which makes the lack of progress the more disappointing.

Nations which claim they are eager to assert will not wait long, if at all, for an expression of the law. Iceland is one such, its new government being already committed to a further unilateral extension of fishery limits; and it is uncertain how long the United States, or powerful interests within the United States, will refrain from deep-sea mineral extraction pending agreement on a legal framework for operations of that kind.

Some hope remains—Mr David Ennals, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, expressed it yesterday—that the progress which eluded the delegates at Caracas will reward them when they resume at Geneva in March. If that is to be, there will have to be found a large measure of general compromise. The strategy of the United Nations is this. There are so many separate matters to be resolved, and national interests in relation to each of them are so diverse, that a series of separate agreements was considered unlikely to be achieved. The plan, instead, is to work up to one omnibus conven-

The City and the Stock Exchange

From Mr A. H. B. Franklin

Sir, I feel the article by George Hutchison under the heading "The City Hears the Stock Exchange" last Saturday, and in reply from the Stock Exchange.

In the first place it is not the City. The Stock Exchange is a market place. Share prices are not dictated by brokers and jobbers but by buyers and sellers.

The letter may well be influenced by "rumour, poor political information and poorer political understanding, wrong inferences, weak reasoning and erratic decisions, etc." However, I will not pursue Mr Hutchison's display of what I believe is known as "journalism". Suffice to add that most of the information on which buyers and sellers base their decisions is gained from newspapers and if a newspaper as responsible as *The Times* is prepared to publish promiscuously such an ill informed article as Mr Hutchison's, it is hardly surprising that the average investor who sees what he sees as bogymen. No one doubts the current prosperity of some of our "finest manufacturing companies"—but who, I ask Mr Hutchison, in this political climate, can accurately judge what the situation will be in 12 months time?

Any one who believes that patriotic speeches by public figures will alleviate the current fears of investors—and theirs is the power that creates rises and falls in the stock market—must be naive in the extreme.

We have had far too many words—both spoken and written. Deeds are what are needed, deeds to prove that there is still a fair return for risk taking and enterprise, on which the economic viability of this country is based. For those who see the fact that in commerce there are no wages without profits is inclined to be overlooked because of the emotive content today of the word "profit". To one political party it is anathema, to the others faintly embarrassing.

In his final paragraph, referring to politics, Mr Hutchison states that there is a lot to be said for old fashioned methods that actually work. I am in agreement with him; particularly in regard to research in depth in journalism.

Yours faithfully,
A. H. B. FRANKLIN,
Warley Court,
Throgmorton Street, EC2
August 27.

Tory plans for housing and rates

From Mr Nigel Lawson, Conservative MP for Bloch

Sir, I am somewhat puzzled by your critical leading article today on the Conservative Party's new proposals on housing and rates, in your leading paragraph you appear to be advancing the thesis that the proposals must be wrong because they might be popular; that since the truth about the economic state of the country is unpalatable, a party's housing policy should be equally unpalatable.

This really does seem unnecessarily puritanical. The economic situation—which is every bit as grave as you suggest—does not require that all policies should be unpopular; it requires that they should not be inflationary, and, in particular, that they should not add to the budget deficit or to total public expenditure. And Mr Thatcher's housing and rates policies pass this crucial test with flying colours.

For example, take the proposal (which you criticize at considerable length) to abolish domestic rates altogether, over a four to five year period. The average annual subsidy on each new council house is currently running at roughly three times the average tax relief on a typical mortgage. Thus to turn council tenants into home owners will actually tend to reduce the budget deficit.

It is of course, true that the proposal to keep mortgage rates down to 9½ per cent, by cutting the

Scottish attitude to devolution

From Professor W. H. C. Freund

Sir, Mr William Taylor's spirited letter (August 26) on the "Dissolution of the United Kingdom" shows that, just how out of touch people in the south are with opinion north of the border. The most casual reading of the correspondence and leader columns of the Scottish press would reveal how this is polarizing between the devolutionists and those who want out and out separation from the remainder of the United Kingdom, and the latter are still making the rooming.

This is not just Tartan romanticism. People feel that "Scottish oil" is even now being used as security to underpin a creaking British economy mismanaged from London, that Britain is spent and exhausted, and that now is the time for Scotland to become independent.

Such arguments have about as much validity as a call to revive the Kingdom of York with its anniversary of Stamford Bridge as its national day, on the strength of the Selby coalfield. They are, however, fuelled by a feeling that London leadership has failed. There have been too many parries, Scottish affairs have been too long neglected, and there is just too much suspicion of dishonesty in high places among politicians.

Many of us believe, however, that the right answer to separation is devolution. This may be regarded not only from the viewpoint of administrative convenience but as the natural course of events. An informed and more aware electorate that wants a greater control of its national affairs. All political parties in Scotland have now agreed on the principle of a Scottish Assembly with wide financial and administrative powers, surely the next step would be an inter-party conference to harmonize and agree the various plans immediately so that this ceases to be an election issue.

There are more important issues before the British people in the next month or so even than this.

Yours faithfully,
W. H. C. FREUND,
Merburn,
Balmaha,
Strirlingshire,
August 27.

LULL FOR LULWORTH

Government will run into a number of small arms fire even some medium artillery its decision to reject the recommendation of the Nugent Committee by allowing the tank gunnery school to be undisturbed at Lulworth, or not one agrees with them to depend upon a series of subjective assessments. But it is at least a decision has been reached the right The Defence Lands Commission spent two and a half years trying to find evidence from both on some 629,000 of the 10 acres of land held by the 1 services, and in drafting recommendations. The Government has spent a further six months, punctuated by a series of administration, reaching a verdict on those recommendations. With most of them in full agreement, Lulworth is likely to cause national, posed to local, resentment, their lobby does justice to their. Those who argue for lease of more land by the present regard the services as malicious landlords who, for reasons and because of

hawkish inclinations, cling to more acres than they need. The facts are that about 40 per cent of the land examined by the Nugent Committee is already leased out by the services to farmers for grazing and growing crops, that public access, while necessarily limited, is provided wherever possible and that as custodians of the British landscape the forces are remarkably efficient. In the Tyneham Valley for instance three medieval field systems have been preserved, and the whole Lulworth area contains flora and fauna which have flourished during the years of army occupation.

On the other hand those who want the army to remain, portray "the public" as a noisy, noisome bunch of hooligans who leave a trail of plastic cups behind them or, alternatively, build office blocks in every available square foot. In fact much of the opposition to the continuing military use of Lulworth has come from highly responsible bodies to whom such desecration would be anathema and who would like to place the land under the care of the National Trust, to be preserved for the benefit of all.

Perhaps the most telling argument over Lulworth however is that the army is already there, and a large number of local people, including the local authorities, want them to stay there. The only other realistic place for them is Castlemartin—and nobody wants more of them there. The army must go somewhere and any other alternative is likely to be contested with equal fervour. There is also the question of cost—though this should be regarded as incidental to such an important issue. So the Government has, rightly on balance, decided to let them stay at Lulworth, while improving public access to this unarguably delightful part of Dorset. So

Again the guns disturbed the hour, Roaring their readiness to avenge. As far inland as Stourton Tower, And Camelot, and Starling Stonehenge.

Although the sound of the Royal Armoured Corps' guns does not carry as far as the Royal Navy's, which were the subject of Thomas Hardy's complaint in April 1914, noise is one thing that has not changed in Dorset sixty years on.

straightforward way of proceeding. In fact, only about 2,000 people attended, which should not have presented a very serious problem of crowd control to 600 police on the spot. Nor can the police reasonably be expected to stand quietly by when it is common knowledge that illegal drugs are being used.

Festivals of this kind can arouse great hostility in the neighbourhood. The district council had discussed spreading lime or sewage on the field at Windsor to prevent its being used, and as there was a festival there last year, this reaction cannot be put down altogether to the blind prejudice of the publicists. Festivals do tend to leave a mess, to be noisy and to fill the village street with startling styles of dress. But they are basically amiable gatherings, which with a degree of tolerance it should be possible to accommodate. Indeed, several other festivals took place near the Bank Holiday without serious disturbance. Intelligent cooperation on the part of organizers, councils and police should stop matters getting to this stage again.

Reactions to weak government

From Mr D. L. W. Ashton

Sir, You publish a lengthy article about the supposed desire of General Walker "to drive Mr Enoch Powell into power on the pretext of a tank" (italics mine) from Mr Ray Fletcher, Labour MP for Ilkerton (August 28). As a close student over a long period of the organization of the Civil Assistance, I cannot see one single statement from Sir Walter to justify this attribution of an intention which, if not merely childish, would be as seditious in practice as it would be futile in consequence. All the plans and activities of the distinguished General remain completely lawful, whereas this is not true of those "private armies" already in actual existence, such as certain revolutionary and trade union groups under Marxist control.

Undoubtedly "Powellism"—quasi-nominalist theory, world free-trade and European withdrawal, etc.—cannot match the specific problems of the industrial, shipping, overseas markets and political strikes, etc.—facing these islands to this emergent crisis, during which the ex-Conservative MP for Wolverhampton, SW is now reportedly busily preoccupied with a studying the answers—maybe awaiting the call" of more exalted nature appropriate to his well-known scriptural pedagogy (cf I Samuel 3:3-20).

But Mr Fletcher's further insistence that no politicians will be available to play Barras to a Napoleon must be qualified only by the irrelevance of detail of French circumstances long ago. For any projected failure of the present party-political chieftains, after yet another mistimed election, to cope with the economic, political and social dangers to Britain in a predictable situation of growing mass-unemployment and hyperinflation, plus industrial unrest and large-scale disorder, may well result to an effective national search for fresh personnel, drawn if necessary from outside the falling party machines, with both the character and the policies to meet the situation, and in an overwhelming public demand for the election through constitutional processes of an entirely new "Directory" of able patriots to restore both respect and power to parliament by its conversion into an effective assembly of national talent.

Yours faithfully,
D. L. W. ASHTON,
As from Europe House Club,
1a Whitehall Place, SW1,
August 28.

Football hooliganism

From Mrs Joan Marsh

Sir, On August 10 I published a letter from about the use of senior attendance centres as one method of dealing with football hooligans aged 17-21 years. There has also been an excellent letter from a senior probation officer about the use of community service orders.

I and other magistrates will welcome most warmly the news reported by Peter Evans on August 23 that the power to order community service is to be extended to courts for driving offenders, but by some obscure process of reasoning entirely rejects their use for other offenders. If it is so admirable a method of dealing with driving offenders, why is it not equally so for vandals, hooligans and others, for example those in breach of probation?

To judge from the warm response I have had personally to my first letter to you there is considerable public support for the idea of a simple Saturday afternoon deprivation of liberty. I would therefore again urge that the senior attendance centre is an ideal way of dealing with certain young offenders who do not need a custodial sentence, are not suitable for community service or are unwilling to carry it out, but who need to be deprived of their Saturday afternoon liberty.

Yours faithfully,
JOAN MARSH,
Old Schoolhouse,
104 Lyndhurst Grove, SE15,
August 23.

FESTIVALS AND THE LAW

It does not appear that anybody seriously hurt in the police action yesterday to disperse a festival in Windsor Great Park. It was a matter of black backed shins and torn trousers; three youths were in hospital in case they have suffered concussion. Operation achieved its purpose and since that purpose was not to break up the festival, but to clear the site, there has been some reason to hope that the handling of the festival has been successful, even to a degree of diplomatic. The enjoyed themselves for five with only limited interference, but in the end it was blished that the law was to be mocked, at a price in fact that would scarcely seem likely after a Saturday all match.

Nevertheless, the contrast between the languid pursuit of sun and sunshine and the ice that followed it is a 'bing one, and it is worth g whether the affair could have been dealt with differ-

ently. The accusations of unduly rough tactics will have to be inquired into, but reports do give the impression that the police went into the camp expecting a more formidable resistance than they in fact met, and that their manner of proceeding may have aroused more opposition than it forestalled. A warning at the start that the field would be cleared after five days might have changed everything. The camp, with its women and children and pet animals, with its sleeping-bags, Primus stoves and guitars, was no kind of fortress, and many people who have never had cause to witness the harsher sides of police activity may today be nursing a disillusionment that will not fade rapidly, or make the relations of the police with the public any easier.

Of course, the police did have a dilemma. Earlier pop festivals have sometimes been assemblies of enormous size, far too large to be easily controlled. It may have been in expectation of a similar irresistible flood that no attempt was made to prevent the crowd gathering in the park, which might have been the most

approves of business, but finances a political party dedicated to replacing capitalism with socialism (though admittedly with no details of how and when). Far from seeking to make business more prosperous, for the greater benefit of all those involved, it puts every kind of obstacle in the way, including overmanning, demarcation prohibitions, political strikes, pressure for dividend restriction, etc. In pursuit of its ideological leaders solemnly advocate that successful industries should be confiscated and run by the state, like the Post Office or the Coal Board, which cannot even make a go of national monopolies, let alone pay competitive wages. Though the TUC puts out annual statements on how to run the economy, its officials are nominally ill-informed on the economics of the businesses that provide a living for many members.

If reasonable people have qualms at the prospect of a national union of niteworkers, why should this be attributed to an objection to any kind of union organization, and why should Hitler's Labour Front be dragged into it (cannot Mr Cockburn ever get over the thirties)? The hostile current attitude of unions in this country towards business is reasning enough for qualms.

Yours, etc.
HARRY FIELDHOUSE,
16 Lord's Court,
St John's Wood Road, NW8.

Still more painful are those offered to the public, scores which are "too sketches to be practicalized". Cavalli's scores, with few exceptions, offer complete blueprints for performance to anyone who cares to read them in the light of contemporary practice.

Yours faithfully,
STANLEY SADIE,
THOMAS WALKER,
Grove's Dictionary of Music & Musicians,
Macmillan,
44 Bedford Row, WCI.

Mr Nixon's downfall

From Mr Dexter Masters

Sir, The four letters published to date in the discussion of the United States press and Mr Nixon, for all their different views of the master, embody a common error. From John Sparrow's dramatic opener—"From time to time the American people assassinate their president; never until today has the thing been done in slow motion before the eyes of the whole world"—through Louis Heren's, spirited attack on Mr Sparrow's "myth"-making and so on to the pros and cons set forth by Messrs Kissin and Chance, a kind of monetary seems to colour the characterizations of the American press.

But there are approximately 1750 daily newspapers in the United States and if Mr Nixon was brought down by the press it was without the initiative of, until the latter stages, even the active participation of approximately 1,740 of them. Accustomed to the British pattern of a national press with a few major papers reaching all parts of the country, the British reader must hear in mind that on such things exists in the United States. By an overwhelming majority, most of the people in most of the cities and regions of the United States have never seen a copy of the *New York Times* or the *Washington Post*, and it is a fair bet that a substantial

proportion of the population away from the Eastern seaboard have not even heard of either one in any meaningful way.

On the record, I believe, the role of the press in breaking the Nixon hold on the presidency has been simplistically overstated. The vast majority of papers throughout the country, most of them supporters of Nixon as of other right-wing politicians year in and year out, were almost as hard to extricate from Nixon's evasions and cover-ups as was Nixon himself. *The Chicago Tribune*, for example, a paper of far more influence with millions of Americans than the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* combined, didn't accept reality until a few days before the forced resignation.

It was not the press that dislodged Mr Nixon; it was the workings of the judiciary processes which he came to entangle himself, partly by sheer chance, partly by a wondrous incompetence in some of his associates, and partly by the arrogance in himself. And it was not assassination that was acted out before the eyes of the whole world; it was self-disembowelling.

Yours most sincerely,
DEXTER MASTERS,
The Hermitage,
South Street,
Totnes,
Devon,
August 24.

Listed church buildings

From Mr Angus Acworth

Sir, Perhaps you will allow me to point out that in my letter (*The Times*, August 7) I was not concerned with the adequacy or otherwise of the protection given to churches of the establishment and the faculty procedure and the Pastoral Measure—the point at issue between Mrs Mirood and Wilson (Aug 14) and Mr Mandeville (Aug 24); but contra with the fact that listed non-conformist churches, meeting-houses and chapels, school, college and private chapels are entirely without protection from ill-considered alteration or demolition. That is the nub of the matter.

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,
ANGUS ACWORTH,
47 Eaton Square, SW1,
Aug 25.

Piddletrenthide et al

From Councillor Trevor Jones

Sir, Mr Moore enquires in your issue of August 24 whether there really is such a place as Piddletrenthide. Yes, Mr Moore, there is; it's in West Dorset and is as delightful as its name implies.

We also have Toller Pincorum, Sydling St Nicholas, Whitchurch Canonorum, and Ryne Intrinseca, to name but four others. Can any where in the country reach this area for the banting quality of its village names?

Yours faithfully,
TREVOR JONES,
Leader of the Liberal Group
West Dorset District Council,
Syward Cottage,
Syward Road,
Dorchester,
Dorset,
August 25.

Local elections

Mr John Cook

With another election in the surely the time has come to alter changing polling day from days to Sundays. Political mainly rely on voluntary to ensure the success of the process and under the eyes of people taking at least a day off work with, in most the consequent loss of wages.

Furthermore, because of the distances people now travel from work to get to the polling stations, it is often necessary for voters to get to the poll at appropriate time. Also, because of the use of polling stations, large numbers of children are given the day off and, of course, innumerable local government employees are distracted from day-to-day work to man the polls and conduct the counting of votes.

king nor constituency as a typical example, since February of this year we have had a general election, local elections, aldermanic elections and now the possibility of her general election, all within months and, being a priority with no paid political staff to cover, this has imposed a tremendous strain on our voluntary organization.

Bearing in mind the great success of Sunday voting in other countries and unable to see any valid objections to it here, it seems to me that it ought to be seriously considered.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN COOK,
Honorary Agent, Orpington Liberal Association,
7 Station Road, Orpington, Kent.

Organized labour

From Mr Harry Fieldhouse

Sir, It is supposed (writing from his citadel of participation in co Cork) the role of trade unions is to look after the "interests of organized labour", they cannot be said to have made much of a job of it. It is not the standard of living of the British employee now lower than that of his counterpart in nearly all the leading European countries? Mr Cockburn, whose letter consists largely of putting words in other people's mouths, would presumably attribute this disparity to bad management or wicked capitalist greed. I would suggest to him a connexion between lagging living standards and British trade union attitudes.

In this country the trade union movement not only formally dis-

SOCIAL NEWS

The Queen will visit the Forces Help Society and Lord Roberts Workshops, at the Park Lane Fair in the afternoon of Tuesday, November 12.

Birthdays today

Air Chief Marshal the Earl of Bandon, 70; Sir Patrick Brangan, 68; Sir Charles Brangan, 66; Lord Fraser of Lonsdale, 67; Dr Wyn Griffith, 64; Mr Ray Guter, 65; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Edward Hamner, 81; Mr Denis Healey, MP, 57; Rear-Admiral John Hopson, 66; Sir Kenneth Keith, 68; Sir Ian MacLellan, 65; Countess of Longford, 68; Mr Raymond Massey, 78; Sir George Robinson, 80; Rev Professor T. P. Torrance, 61.

Marriages

Earl of Burford and Lady Hooper. The marriage took place quietly in London yesterday between the Earl of Burford and Lady Hooper, daughter of the late Colonel W. H. Howard and Mrs Howard.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. J. Cavendish and Miss S. M. Macmillan. The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place shortly between Anthony John Cavendish, of Crondall, Hampshire, and Sylvia Mary, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs L. A. Macmillan, of Fairway, Sussex.

Marriages

Mr P. J. Jacobus and Miss S. F. Boyes. The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs B. Jacobus, of Pinner, Middlesex, and Susan Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. F. Boyes, of Kempford, Gloucestershire.



Dr P. V. J. Solomon, High Commissioner for Trinidad and Tobago, with Mrs Solomon at the Commonwealth Institute, London, where he opened an exhibition yesterday of contemporary works by the islands' artists.

Caetano disclosures on Guinea

Rio de Janeiro, Aug 29.—Dr Marcello Caetano, the deposed Portuguese Prime Minister, would have preferred a military defeat in Guinea-Bissau rather than a negotiated ceasefire agreement with the guerrillas, according to his memoirs, which are to be published here next month by the publishing house Record. His attitude disturbed General Spínola, who is now President of Portugal, as commander-in-chief in Guinea, he brought the ceasefire suggestion back to Lisbon.

OBITUARY

LORD CONESFORD Former Conservative MP

Lord Conesford died on Wednesday at the age of 82. As Mr H. G. Strauss, he had been MP for Norwich, Norwich South and the Combined English Universities. He held junior office in Coalition and Conservative Governments. Strauss was a politician of strong convictions and high principle which on occasion impelled him to resign from a ministerial post rather than countenance policies which offended his sense of justice.

PROF JOHN CALDWELL

Botany at Exeter

Professor John Caldwell OBE, Professor of Botany at the University of Exeter, from 1969, died suddenly on Monday at the age of 71. Educated at Kilmarnock Academy, the University of Glasgow and St John's College, Cambridge, he was a leading expert on virus diseases in plants.

COL CHARLES LINDBERGH

Mr R. S. R. Fitter writes: Those of us who were his colleagues on the survival service commission of the International Union for Conservation of Nature and the board of trustees of the World Wildlife Fund (International) know how much Charles Lindbergh did to help save the wildlife of the world about which he felt deeply.

MR LEONARD RUSSELL

Mr Malcolm Muggidge writes: May I, as one of the beneficiaries, add a note to your obituarist's remarks about Leonard Russell's skill as a chooser and editor of serializations. He had an exceptional degree of the gift that is most valuable in such work—indeed, in editorial work altogether—dispensing encouragement. In my own case, his remarks always judicious and always generous, gave me a great lift so that I set down to my type writer with renewed zest.

LIEUT-COL ROY WISE

B. O. M. writes: Roy Wise and I, with many other new members, arrived together in the House of Commons after the election of 1957. There was no one of generation who surpassed him in courage and steadfastness and devotion to the interests of his country.

Hope of church and state reconciliation in Brazil

Rio de Janeiro, Aug 29.—A leading progressive Roman Catholic archbishop has held out the possibility of a church-state reconciliation after years of conflict with Brazil's military rulers.



Lord Burford, heir to the Duke of St Albans, with his bride, Lady (Cynthia) Hooper, at Kensington Register Office yesterday.

Archaeology report Repton: Royal mausoleum

Archaeology, above and below ground, has been uncovering some of the difficulties surrounding the Anglo-Saxon royal church at Repton, Derbyshire. Among the discoveries so far are the remains of the Merovingian kingdom with wooden coffins decorated with iron straps and brackets.

Law Report August 29 1974 Matter for comment only by High Court judge

Regina v Jackson. Where there is a charge of attempted murder with an alternative charge under section 15 of the Offences against the Person Act, 1861, nobody except a High Court judge should indicate approval of the prosecution's willingness to accept a plea of guilty to the lesser charge and not guilty to the major charge.

GIFT TAX (Capital Transfer Tax)

You can send a donation of cash or shares or remember Help the Aged in your will without incurring any additional tax than at the present time even if the Capital Transfer Tax becomes law.

290 BLENHEIM GATE SOUTHWICH

My Dear Joan, I am now able to write and thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent for Jack's funeral. They gave me strength when I so needed it.

Handwritten text at the bottom of the page: مكتبة من الاصل

THE TIMES BUSINESS NEWS

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Norwegians find vast oilfield extending into British waters

Major Vielvoye... contains about 2,000 million barrels of oil and 50,000 million cubic metres of associated natural gas.

Court Line hopes fade for North Sea asset

Energy Correspondent... completely without carrying out further seismic studies of the submarine geological structures.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT FORECASTS*

Table with 4 columns: Year, 1973-74, 1974-75, 1973-74, 1974-75. Rows include: GNP, Expenditure, Savings, Investment, Demand, Services, Factor cost.

MARLING INDUSTRIES LTD.

Table with 2 columns: 1974, 1973. Rows include: UP TURNOVER, Profit before Taxation, Profit after Taxation, Ordinary Share of 10p, Exports from U.K.

IRMAN'S STATEMENT... of the oil crisis, the three-day week in the U.K., and raw material shortages.

diversification of our efforts, both by products and geographically... we have also added substantially to the Van Oerle and Van Oijk factory.

Sugar price in London reaches new record

For the seventh time in the past eight trading sessions, the London daily sugar price was raised yesterday. It went up by a further £15 to £355 a long ton—yet another record.

Guaranteed poultry price urged

Poultry breeders and packers are preparing demands to the Government for guaranteed prices a third higher than the free market prices prevailing today.

ABC cheap flight operators protest at Atlantic scale

British operators of advance booking charter (ABC) cheap services across the North Atlantic are to seek an urgent meeting with the Civil Aviation Authority to protest at the level of fares ordered by the authority for next year.

Food index 1/2 point up

The food price index compiled by Roate and Co, Govett for The Grocer shows a rise of 0.51 per cent on the week because of increases for preserves, cakes and bacon.

Higher rise in French cost of living index

From Richard Wigg... France's official cost of living index rose last month by 1.3 per cent, bringing from 101.4 to 102.7.

Uptrend for linked-life policies

Sales of single premium bonds continued to decline in the second quarter of the year, but there was a slight increase in the amount of regular premium-linked life assurance contracts sold.

Bulmer seeks 1p more

H. P. Bulmer, the largest cider company in Britain, has told the Price Commission it wants the price of a large bottle by at least 1p in mid-September.

A stitch in short time

Workers at the Singer sewing machine factory at Clydesbank in Scotland have agreed to indefinite four-day working starting next month in a bid to stave off 500 redundancies.

How the markets moved

Table with 2 columns: Rises, Falls. Lists various stocks and their price movements.

Pan Am shares at year's lowest level on news of \$44m loss so far

From Frank Vogl... Pan American World Airways had had operating losses so far this year of \$44.3m (about £19.1m), compared with a net profit of \$1.8m for the first seven months of last year.

ICI may partner BP in refinery venture

By Peter Hill... Imperial Chemical Industries is believed to be considering the construction of a new oil refinery in the United Kingdom.

Cement increases go far to restore common pricing

By Christopher Wilkins... Cement prices are to go up by between 10 and 15 per cent with effect from Monday.

PR chief is appointed to top post at Leyland

By Clifford Webb... Mr Keith Hopkins, the 44-year-old head of British Leyland's public relations department, is to become managing director of the group's Austin-Morris division.

M&G attack on economic 'ignorance'

By Margaret Stone... A leading unit trust manager has come out strongly against the individuals and groups who are seeking to replace the country's mixed economy with something radically different.

More brokers drawn into City merger

The recent merger of two London stockbrokers, Capel-Cure Carden and Myers, is to be extended to take in a third firm, Morell, Johnson, Lamb, of Belfast and Edinburgh, it was disclosed yesterday.

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* Application was made to the Treasury for permission to exceed the dividend limitation increase on the grounds that the Company was a "recovery situation".

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

AP Cement's timely price increase

Sp rise in Associated and Cement's shares to 57p followed by a sharp response at half figures that were at the bottom end of stock expectations. But the sector of a price increase of 59 per cent in late more than made up for

with the Stern group after the sale of Russell Court. But the stock market is emphasizing the risks and sharing a telling verdict on Regional's recent expansion.

Final: 1973-74 (1972-73)
Capitalization £7.17m
Pre-tax profits £1.15m (£0.81m)
Earnings per share 2.73p (3.17p)
Dividend gross 2.36p (2.25p)

Hoechst Chemical boom continues

From Hoechst the message at the end of the second quarter is that there is no sign yet of a lull in the European and world chemical boom, despite the dramatic effect of the oil crisis on chemical feedstock prices. In fact an increase of over three points (to 12.96 per cent) in Hoechst's margins between the first and second quarter tells its own story of volume trends. Overseas demand is particularly strong, notably so in intra-EEC trade.

The other significant points from Hoechst are that raw material prices have now risen, albeit at a high level, but that demand from domestic building, motor and textile sectors is lower. This reflects the generally declining fortunes of these consumer goods areas but it must be noted that other sectors will react sooner or later to chemical prices. This of course is reflected in the slight weakening in Hoechst's Frankfurt price yesterday to £19.50 where the prospective p/e ratio is around 4½—not untypical of the European chemical majors. Only the United States majors are currently enjoying double figure p/Es, and the sheer size of the domestic market underpins the ratings there.

Interim: 1974 (1973)
*Capitalization 3,753m
Sales 9,700m (7,590m)
Pre-tax profits \$60m (\$54m)
*All figures in Deutsche marks.

Real Properties

cost of building spots

Real Properties was once a actively managed investment company with a high portfolio consisting of office and residential. All that changed in the arrival of new management. This followed in overall policy, accounting principles and valuation. In some cases the bulk of the residential property was sold and a development programme with an estimated cost of £45m.

It is all worth it? The timetable of Regional's purchase of some 100 acres of land in the case of Cromwell Road development which was bought for £132,000. It is surprising if the investment is not to be made as as of surprise that charges for the year ended from £386,000 to £1.2m.

in the annual report, at assets per share down 2p to 22.8p. Borrowings: around £21m of which the proportion consists of seven year money. Not as high as some in the market but quite high enough to still apparently has bank facilities to draw refreshment of 40,000 City Wall House in the old provide a useful income on the long term, possibly towards the end of the year, and the renovation of St Clements Lane should also help. And incidentally, received all from its disposals, in early repayment of £3.4m outstanding

Merchant banks Limits to the risks

The polarization of attitudes towards financial institutions in the wake of the secondary banking crisis has done no good to the merchant banks. Their current vulnerability to stock market fluctuations, of course, places them in the good company of some major insurance groups and other concerns whose financial impeccability would have been taken for granted not so long ago. But that is scant consolation for institutions which rely so heavily on confidence; and the members of the Accepting House Committee are naturally extremely anxious that this confidence should be restored as soon as possible.

There are two possible approaches to the problem. One is to demonstrate that the merchant banks' financial difficulties are negligible. The other is to convince the world outside that even if their difficulties were great they would never be allowed to fail.

Significantly, it is the latter approach which the banks themselves now seem keenest to follow, through a policy of reminding the City that they can count on the open-ended support of the Bank of England in any emergency. This is not to be taken as an admission that their actual problems are immense, but merely as recognition that there is too much scepticism in the air for bland assurances of financial solvency to be effective any more.

To suggest that a merchant bank is "in trouble" can, after

all, cover a multitude of sins. The Beaufort Scale of financial difficulties ranges from the light breeze of reduced profitability in the hurricane of bankruptcy. Unfortunately, these gradations are now being overlooked.

There is, of course, no reason why individual merchant banks should not get into the sort of financial mess that made a covert rescue operation necessary—as, indeed, Brands once did as a result of the Salad Oil affair. A merchant bank, like a fringe bank, relies heavily on the money markets for its resources, lends in ways that clearing banks would not always countenance, depends on a healthy stock market to maintain the value of its assets and generate its corporate finance earnings and is potentially vulnerable to upsets on the foreign exchange.

Shareholders certainly cannot expect to be indemnified by the Bank of England or anyone else for a general erosion of earnings and assets. What they are entitled to expect is the case of an accepting house, as opposed to a fringe bank, is the continuity of the business in which they have invested—though not necessarily under the same management or ownership. Their downside risk, therefore, stops a long way short of write-off. For it is almost inconceivable that an accepting house, which ever down on its luck, would be rescued in a way that left nothing over for the shareholder. So although the difficult conditions to which the banks are operating, and the errors of judgment that some of them have undoubtedly made, must still be taken seriously by investors, the more alarmist rumours about the sector need not be.

Associated Dairies Sales growth decelerates

Delayed store openings and the inevitable disruptions in the wake of the three-day week go a long way towards explaining the slow down in the turnover growth rate at Associated Dairies. After the opening six months' increase of 26 per cent, itself well below that seen in earlier periods, progress slowed to 21 per cent in the second half. In addition to the loss of sales to supply shortages led to expensive buying in a tight market, the imperative need to accelerate the advancement of the 'third world' through the maximum possible concentration of efforts of the developed in favour of the developing countries.

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A study issued recently by the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) discusses one such instrument which I think deserves attention because it is practical, it is a relatively novel form of industrial cooperation, involving enterprises in a socialist, western and a developing country, referred to as "tripartite industrial cooperation".

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Final: 1973-74 (1972-73)
Capitalization £26.7m
Sales £158m (£128m)
Pre-tax profits £7.41m (£6.27m)
Earnings per share 12.2p (11.5p)
Dividend gross 2.53p (2.46p)

Bill Shakespeare discusses the significance of the present troubles in the motor industry

The old, old story in the car factories

Tens of thousands of car workers are again idle and millions of pounds worth of vehicle production is being lost every day because of wage disputes.

Now that the legal brakes on wage settlements have been taken off—or, perhaps, "burnt out"—would be a more appropriate simile—the all too familiar handwringing of leaping wage claims and demands for "parity" is rolling again.

Indeed, there are some clear signs that the present troubles, serious enough to themselves since they have stopped production of nine different car ranges and made some 30,000 workers idle, are only the tip of the iceberg.

The motor companies, and their component suppliers, are clearly in for some extremely tough wage battles. Neither the existence or non-existence of a social contract or the recently rediscovered virtues of conciliation are likely to have a great deal of relevance.

In recent years motor firms have become "locked in" to a system of annual wage bargaining with the unions firmly resisting any idea of longer-term package deals. Settlements have had to be made within the restraints of incomes policy, although in some cases the rules have been bent and in others managements have, under pressure, made some fairly rash forward commitments for the time "when legislation permits".

The last stronghold of the traditional piecework system—now in British Leyland—has been the car plants in Britain now have wage structures based on standard or measured day-work. But piecework persists among the majority of the 2,000 or so engineering companies which form the motor industry's suppliers.

The result is that earnings levels at between one motor company and another and, indeed, between one plant and another are now clearly



Longbridge production line: yet another standstill.

defined and are open to direct comparison. Settlements under the various stages of a "blunt instrument" incomes policy laying down percentage "ceilings" which were inevitably translated by shop floor negotiators into a big slice of the extra 54 pence costing something like £3m a day in lost car production.

Although the issue has not yet been publicly expressed in these terms, the fact remains that the British Leyland workers are well aware that a big slice of the extra 54 pence that is now on offer, as the basis of another year's settlement, could have been available to them had the "threshold" trigger applied under their present agreement.

However, no threshold clauses were written into any of British Leyland's current pay deals and the corporation has firmly resisted all attempts by the shop floor to get this position amended. It is a very sore point with shop floor negotiators who have seen up to 10 million other workers—many of them in the car industry—get a series of automatic increases.

They are clearly not going to accept this situation for ever and British Leyland is certain to find that in every round of pay negotiations the present general level of threshold pay-

ment—£2.80 a week—will become the starting point for shop-floor negotiators.

In other words they will want the cost of living increase plus any fresh wage settlement that would normally be demanded.

Chrysler's problems also go much deeper than the straightforward parity demands that are now being made by the workers in its small but vital components plants. These men are insisting on the same wage rates as workers in the big assembly plants and the management concedes that there are anomalies—to the extent of £10 a week in some cases—and that they will have to be put right.

However, Chrysler wants to tackle this job in the context of its own company-wide wage review in the new year and not on a piecemeal basis.

It has had some bitter experience of the kind of trouble that can result from fragmentation of its wage bargaining machinery. The present strikes by component workers have largely overshadowed the fact that toolroom workers in the big Coventry plants are again staging an overtime ban in support of unilateral demands made by themselves and by maintenance electricians, for another pay increase, longer holidays and a 35-hour working week.

Both the toolmakers and the electricians, who had their last wage settlement only two months ago, negotiate under staff status agreements outside the general shop-floor negotiating machinery. Chrysler will face trouble from these fresh demands even when it has solved its problems in the components factories—and there is no sign of that happening yet.

Chrysler's last pay deal, which took effect in July, contained not only a Phase Three pay settlement and a cost-of-living increase limited to £1.20 a week, but a forward commitment to further increases and pay parity between its various manufacturing centres "when legislation permits".

The second wage increase has now taken effect and Chrysler's pay rates in its car and commercial vehicle plants are now broadly in line with those in British Leyland, with the main operative grades earning around £50 for a 40-hour week.

This has already sparked off the first rumblings of trouble among the 25,000 workers employed by Vauxhall (General Motors), many of whom claim that their basic rates are now up to £10 a week below those in Chrysler—even though they have had the full "threshold" increases of £2.80 a week.

There are moves by some shop stewards in Vauxhall to reopen pay negotiations immediately, even though the present wage agreement still has a full eight months to run.

Ford, which has had a remarkably trouble-free run since the end of the three-day week, and is in the happy position of having seen its home sales figures for cars overtake those of British Leyland for the first time, will have an anxious eye on what happens in the other "Big three" car companies.

Its wage structure has for some years been paralleled by that in Vauxhall. If the Vauxhall men mount their parity campaign, Ford negotiators will not be far behind them.

Three-way cooperation as a means to helping the under-developed countries

In an article in *The Times* last month ("The need to lay down guidelines for peaceful coexistence"—July 3) I wrote that "it is essential that a way be found to ensure that the cooperative links between the industrialized countries of East and West are consistent with the imperative need to accelerate the advancement of the 'third world' through the maximum possible concentration of efforts of the developed in favour of the developing countries".

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Furthermore, since such ventures provide for repayment by means of matching deliveries of goods on the basis of definite commitments over a number of years, commercial risk is reduced and the cost of export credit insurance lessened accordingly.

As regards marketing, the report concludes that tripartite joint ventures in developing countries could help in maximize the expansion and geographical diversification of export sales. The western partner, for example, is well placed to provide marketing assistance of various kinds, including after-sales service, while the eastern partner is able to guarantee fixed purchases of the output of the plant set up in the developing country under the tripartite joint venture.

On technology, the report observed that the tripartite form of cooperation is particularly well suited to the role of technology in the development of the required technology, facilitates arrangements with respect to the right to exploit the industrial property concerned in the developing country.

In conclusion, the study stresses that joint ventures of the kind referred to should endeavour to evolve methods of cooperation best suited to respond to the requirements of developing countries.

In the sphere of organization, it is suggested that the agencies established in western countries by cooperative groupings of socialist enterprises, and the coordinating offices for marketing in Eastern European countries set up by leading western companies, as well as jointly owned East-West companies, can effectively

assist in the promotion of East-West industrial cooperation with the developing countries at the enterprise level.

The existing fruitful business relationships between eastern and western enterprises which have already enabled a realistic evaluation to be made of their mutual industrial capabilities should greatly ease this process.

It is to be hoped that the UNCTAD report (which is of an interim nature and is to be followed by detailed case studies) and its consideration by the Trade and Development Board currently meeting at Geneva will give an impetus to a significant new international business practice, not only because of its inherent profitability, but because it strengthens the spirit of partnership and solidarity, reduces emphasis on rivalries, strengthens the forces of self-reliance of the developing countries, and binds the various groups of countries making up the international community together within a more rational pattern of international division of labour and comparative cost advantage.

However, for tripartite industrial cooperation to grow and in flourish, an atmosphere of political stability, security and confidence between the East and the West is indispensable.

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More recent arrangements of tripartite industrial cooperation involve Iraq (with Hungary and France); Morocco (with Poland and the Federal Republic of Germany); and the Sudan (with the parliaments of Romania and the United States companies).

Tripartite (ie, East-West-South) industrial cooperation at the enterprise level is still in its infancy and has, therefore, great growth potential. It is not only mutually beneficial in commercial terms but is also in line with broad international policies designed to promote the economic development of the third world through effective economic interdependence, complementary action and specialization.

The report discusses the inherent advantages of tripartite industrial cooperation under three main headings—financing, marketing and technology. On financing it is pointed out that governments in developing countries experience great difficulties, because of inflation and the ever-present risk of devaluation of the national currency, in guaranteeing loans solicited by their enterprises for the financing of equipment imports.

By enlarging the possibilities for the financing of initial import credits, tripartite industrial cooperation eases the realization of industrial projects in developing countries without placing any strain on their balance of payments.

In particular, bank-to-bank form of financing, supported by public funds or guarantees from developed market economies, can help to implement projects being carried out under tripartite industrial cooperation accords.

Business Diary: Plum post at the PO • Stokes' man

an he few jobs which wing more rapidly in than that of running the fund of one of Britain's companies. On those alone Ralph Quatano yesterday was disappointed to first chief executive of Post Office Staff Super-Pund looks like having himself a plum post. ano, 47, comes to the Post Office itself as has been senior director. Finance, and will it with £500m to play the next three or four will double to £1,000m, describes the heavy that are bound to occur process as being the single element in his

of the pension funds nationalized industries treated critical and eming comment in the past one after another they ad to announce heavy through their involve- th secondary banks and the other the concepts of City investment, the Post Office has had this, a result, Quatano a combination of good d good advice.

is still convinced of the s of institutions putting mounts of their money the property business out that the losses have been very small ed with those in the market; and he takes a s attitude towards the d funds should get in more with the running

of companies in which they have stakes.

He does, however, believe that the institutional investors might find themselves forced into the position of more direct stakes in new ventures, if only because of the marked lack of enthusiasm for entrepreneurial activity which is currently being shown by ordinary shareholders.

Driving ahead

The news that Keith Hopkins, the British Leyland public relations chief, is to take over as managing director of the corporation's Austin Morris division was causing a good deal of surprise among close observers of the industry yesterday.

Hopkins, who has led the corporation's large public relations team since the merger of 1968, has had the reputation among some pressmen of not being the easiest PR man in the business to deal with. Now, as head of part of one of the more successful sectors of the corporation, his undoubted talents could have a much greater impact.

Hopkins, a Coventry man, gained an MA in modern languages at Oxford and studied at the University of Heidelberg and the Sorbonne in Paris. In 1954 he joined the old Standard Motor Company in Coventry as a humble public relations officer and later began his long association with Donald Stokes.

By 1957 he was using his languages as overseas PR and two years later became PR

executive. In 1961, when the Leyland Motor Corporation took over, he was appointed group PR manager.

Hopkins, recognized in the industry as a considerable opportunist, became one of Lord Stokes' right hand men. Now he assumes the title held until last year by George Turnbull and although it is a watered-down version of the title, there are to be three Austin Morris managing directors—Hopkins will still be responsible for sales, marketing, engineering and service.

Exchange woe

Stories of idling at BL/MC's production centre could find a more sympathetic ear on the Stock Exchange than might be ex-

pected. The well-reported collapse of investment interest in stocks and shares has left the market men hard put in it to fill the time.

One despairing dealer commented: "I dealt three times this morning. Once more and I would have beaten the firm's average." Another said wryly that he spent more time "serving our clients' queries than finding new business".

Of course, workers on the Thornorton Street shop floor suffer from sheer lack of work to do rather than from any alleged wish to play cards or sleep in the firm's time.

Daily turnover figures from the Exchange cease to hear out the tales of idling in business. On Tuesday, equity

trading fell to a mere £22.4m compared with £150m or so daily in the great days.

The general apathy on the trading floor is such that even the traditional midsummer pastime of laying wagers ahead of the announcement of the day's recorded bargains total has been abandoned for the time being.

But the tone has brightened a little this week, and voices are heard proclaiming the return of the World's Great Age, when the FT index stood above 500.

After all, market men have good reason to hope for better times. When the bull market returns, then presumably so will the bonuses of 200 per cent of annual pay, which lifted dealers' salaries from £1,500 or £2,000 per annum to headier levels. And dealers, unlike BL/MC operatives, don't have to work overtime.

Bank hotel

Anyone finding himself in a bedroom of the Parkway Hotel in Bayswater in two months' time could well discover a bank manager in his cupboard. For Barclays Bank, already proud owners of the Waverley Hotel in Southampton Row, have decided to buy the Parkway for £605,000 from the Norfolk Capital Group in order to house their out-of-town recruits and relief staff.

Norfolk (whose main bankers are Williams & Glyn's) will show a book profit of £75,000 on the deal and by using the proceeds to repay borrowings will save about £90,000 a year in interest payments.

Selling hotels to reduce borrowings is, in fact, nothing new to Norfolk. Last year it sold the Kensington Palace and Prince of Wales hotels for £5m

Sugar plot

The sugar plot thickened yesterday when the Sainsbury group reversed its statement of Wednesday that it had stopped buying sugar refined in the EEC before John Sainsbury, its chairman, made his "increase supplies or ration" statement.

On the contrary, said Robbie Roberts, director of grocery buying, they were still buying vast quantities from the EEC. Although it cost them up to 25p a kilo they were selling all of it at the normal British price of about 12p for two pounds.

Other retailers cannot decide whether they are pleased or angry with Sainsbury for saying that the Government's intervention must increase deliveries or ration.

Some sceptics think they can detect a political motive behind his statement. After all, his brother, Timothy, is Tory MP for Here and his uncle James is a leading light in the Retail Consortium. Others suspect that the statement was prompted by the increasingly embarrassing state of the company's sugar stocks.

But Roberts believes that the use of EEC sugar, now running at 10 per cent of the company's supplies, has left it in a better position than some of its rivals.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Leading equities move ahead

The equity market made a recovery yesterday, although turnover remained thin at today's ending of the week trading account. While immediate factors could be cited, there was a feeling of optimism...

equity turnover by money value was a mere £22.4m. Although the market was cautious ahead of today's disclosure of the Treasury bill rate, and therefore of the Bank's minimum lending rate...

Gains in ICI (174p), Beecham Grp (170p), Fisons (195p) and Glaxo (180p) were the main features...

Mining

M & S well at midway

Australian Mining and Smelting rose 2p to 100p today following the excellent interim results which net earnings for the six months to end June up from 2m to \$A14.0m...

compares with £186 for the first half of 1973. The Budel refinery in Holland continued to experience difficulties with its automatic cathode stripping assembly...

Last year, AM & S earned \$21m, equivalent to 17.8c a share. What with the factors already mentioned and high labour costs in Australia, an outcome this year of \$25m or 21c a share looks on the cards...

Nchanga ahead

Pre-tax profits of Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines jumped from K48m to K81.2m in the first quarter to end-June on revenue up from K13m to K165m...

RTZ clarifies Brinco share move

Rio Tinto-Zinc has now clarified the position regarding the 907,767 Brinco shares referred to in the Ontario Securities Commission insider trading report made last month...

Amalgamated Tin

Profit for the year to end-March rose from £420,000 to £1.85m. An adjustment arising from currency realignment, £148,000 (£118,000), less a transfer to capital reserve of £118,000 (£79,000), leaves a pre-tax figure of £1.88m (£460,000)...

Latest dividends

Table with columns: Company name, Dividend amount, Year, and other financial metrics.

Myson make profit only in second quarter

The national emergency at the start of this year meant that Myson, the Essex-based heating and ventilating group, only achieved profits in the second quarter with the result that the interim pre-tax figure slumped from £1.16m to £605,000...

Eurobond prices

Table listing Eurobond prices for various countries and maturities, including columns for Bid, Offer, and other price indicators.

S Hoffnung bounds 60pc to stride over £3m

Fresh record profits were predicted by S Hoffnung & Co last October, a forecast reinforced by a big profits upsurge at mid-way in the event the year to March 31 shows this shipping and importing group passing the £3m landmark for the first time...

adjusted 77.3p to 11.55p. The dividend is 3.28p (against an adjusted 3.5p) on which a dividend scrip option is proposed. The total is effectively maintained at 4.85p.

Stoddard slips by £381,000

The warning on second-half profits given by Sir Robert Maclean, chairman of Stoddard Holdings, in February proved to be well founded and in the final six months to May 31 profits of this maker of Axminster and Wilton carpets slumped from just over £1m to £629,000...

HAWKINS DEVELOPMENTS

The latest Dividends table on Wednesday inadvertently contained an entry for Hawkins Developments which had not been announced at the time.

BRITISH VITA

Board proposes a 1-for-4 scrip issue and interim dividend of 3.09p (2.7p) scrip. Shareholders may elect shares instead of the cash dividend. Share repurchase is to be sold to Phillips Service.

Commodities

The London daily price of gold rose to \$377.50 after a period of volatility. Other commodities like oil and sugar also showed price movements.

Spot Position of Sterling

Table showing the spot position of sterling, including bid and offer rates for various banks and locations.

Forward Levels

Table showing forward levels for various currencies and time periods, including 1-month, 3-month, and 6-month rates.

The Times Share Indices

Table showing the Times Share Indices, including the All-Share Index, Industrial Index, and other market indicators.

Money Market Rates

Table showing money market rates, including bank of England minimum lending rate, overnight overdraft, and Treasury bill yields.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Large table listing authorized units, insurance, and offshore funds, including names of funds, their managers, and performance metrics.

Foreign Exchange

Dollar recovers

The dollar recovered Wednesday's slight weakness in fairly erratic markets with moderate volatility yesterday. It was in demand early in the day and after some offering around mid-day it was again in demand in later dealing.

Bank Base Rates

Table showing bank base rates for various banks, including Barclays, Lloyds, and others.

Recent Issues

Table listing recent issues, including company names, issue sizes, and dates.

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London and Regional Market Prices

Selling resumed

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began Aug 19. Dealings End, Aug 30. \$ Contango Day, Sept 2. Settlement Day, Sept 10. \$ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.



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PUBLIC NOTICES

The results have now been published of THE FINANCE HOUSES ASSOCIATION DIPLOMA EXAMINATION held on Thursday, 16th May, 1974. The names of the successful candidates are given below...

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